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ELECTION 2006

**Places**  
**Change on**  
**absentee**  
**ballots**

 Kensington police board  
 among those still  
 for final count

 Lisa Vorderbrueggen  
 STAFF WRITER  
 Candidates in a half-dozen  
 Contra Costa and Alameda  
 counties, including those  
 for the final seat on the  
 Kensington Police Protection  
 and Community Services District  
 board, may have to wait days or  
 weeks for the outcome.

 An unprecedented number of  
 absentee ballots turned in at the  
 Kensington Police Protection and  
 Community Services District  
 election last week. Officials with  
 40,000 ballots to count this  
 week. About 10 percent of all the  
 ballots were mailed during the  
 weekend.

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 Kensington, Cindy Kimball  
 has a 30-vote lead over Bruce  
 for the third and final  
 seat on the board.

 Albany, Joanne Wile has  
 a lead to 218 votes over  
 Cary O'Keefe for the second  
 seat on the City Council.  
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BALLOTS, Page 10

**Jerrell**  
**Moore**  
 \$5,000 reward  
 offered to help  
 solve slaying of  
 El Cerrito  
 church member.  
**Teen's death**  
**continues to**  
**afflict police**

 Search on Saturday  
 El Cerrito church  
 for end to violence

 By Karl Fischer  
 STAFF WRITER

 When James drives past the  
 liquor store where her  
 father was shot every day on her way to

 The trip has not gotten easier.  
 She does not expect it ever will.  
 Jerrell Moore played baseball  
 and basketball. He loved to fish,  
 and he loved to fish, he even  
 helped to his grandmother.  
 Jerrell Moore also served as  
 trustee on the board of  
 St. Peter CME in El Cerrito.  
 For him, and for all other  
 victims of violence, Jones  
 church volunteers have  
 organized "Peace March 2006"  
 to express their sorrow  
 against the violence plaguing  
 Richmond.

 Moore died Jan. 30, in a lot  
 and a shuttered liquor store  
 on 36th Street. Witnesses  
 saw him walk down the 400  
 block with four other boys, talk-

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INSIDE

 "I think the ball will never be thrown up straight. I want a fair  
 shot. Hit pieces, stealing signs is not a fair shot." — Danny Scher


JOANNA JHANDA/STAFF

**RETIRED CONCERT PROMOTER** Danny Scher drew opposition to his candidacy for the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services Board from residents angered by the fundraising concerts he holds at his Coventry Road amphitheater. Scher, who apparently will finish last, said he was the victim of "hit pieces" that urged residents not to vote for him.

## Not in harmony

Neighbors work to deny votes for concert host

 By Justin Hill  
 STAFF WRITER

**LAST YEAR**, Kensington resident Danny Scher fought the proverbial City Hall — and won.

Fined a total of \$800 for three concerts held at his backyard amphitheater in 2004, Scher took Contra Costa County to court, where a judge threw out the fines and awarded him nearly \$29,000 in attorney fees. The county also passed an ordinance that allows Scher to hold, with cer-

tain restrictions, as many as three events a year.

Scher, a retired concert promoter for Bill Graham Presents, may have won his day in court, but the fundraising concerts featuring the likes of Bonnie Raitt and Jackson Browne at his Coventry Road residence left some residents incensed.

It is not surprising, then, that Scher's decision to run for the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District board of directors spurred some of those angry neighbors

to oppose his election.

A trio of what Scher called "hit pieces" urged residents not to vote for him, and a group of residents who oppose the scope and scale of the concerts took it even further, discussing what voting patterns would be most effective in assuring Scher didn't win a seat.

Scher, 54, also had the vast majority of his campaign signs stolen, though he did not know by whom.

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DEAN COPPOLA/STAFF

## Laughs at the library

**TOBI FISCHER**, 6, center, of Kensington laughs during one of three short stories Peter Brizzi of P&T Puppet Theatre performed Tuesday during a show for dozens of children at the Kensington Library.

## Overcrowding plagues high school

Well-earned reputation leads to packed classrooms at Albany High

 By Jessica Meyers  
 CORRESPONDENT

**ALBANY** — When the bell signals the end of lunch on a school day earlier this year, students lick Frito-stained fingers and junior Johanna Jenkins groans. With elbows locked, eyebrows furrowed, she's ready. It's time to conquer the stairs.

In this "square mile" town of about 16,000, Albany High School is packed. At one of the most sought-after schools in the county, some students, teachers and school officials fear the lure

— a quality public school education — could suffer from the increased number of students.

Albany High has 1,220 students, 220 more than the school was designed for, said Albany School Board President Charles Blanchard. This is the second year in a row enrollment has exceeded capacity.

"There's no space to expand," said Blanchard. "The goal is to hold enrollment constant even when accommodating the influx of new Albany residents and to simultaneously develop in facilities at other locations."

The district is casually eyeing three locations for additional facilities — one on Solano Avenue

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GREGORY URQUIGUA/STAFF FILE 2005

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ELECTION 2006

## Civic center expansion moves ahead

After passage of Measure C by unexpectedly wide margin, construction could begin as soon as May 1

 By Justin Hill  
 STAFF WRITER

With Albany voters saying yes this election to a pair of ballot measures, changes are in store for the city — with the possibility of another measure on the way.

Construction at the civic center could begin as early as May 1, and the City Council could take up a medical marijuana dispensary ordinance, which would permit the establishment of a single dispensary in the city, as soon as next month.

With almost all the votes counted, more than 76 percent of voters had approved Measure C, the issuance of \$5 million in bonds and a property tax increase to fund construction at the civic center. It needed two-thirds to pass.

"I thought it would have been closer," Mayor Allan Maris said. "The need was strong. ... But people are also getting tired of seeing their parcel tax increase."

With the passage of Measure C, the Albany fire station will be renovated and expanded, an emergency operations center between the police and fire stations will be constructed, and sustainable building features will be added to the fire station, police station and City Hall.

Assistant City Administrator Judy Lieberman said a tentative timetable puts the nearly \$4.8 million project out to bid in February and a proposed contract before the City Council in March.

If everything goes smoothly, she said, construction could start as early as May 1.

It was unclear exactly when the bonds will be sold, but Charlie Adams, the city's finance and administrative services director, said it will probably be sometime before July.

To pay off the debt, property taxes will be increased for an estimated 25 years.

The average annual tax increase was estimated at \$18.47 per \$100,000 of assessed value. The maximum annual tax increase was estimated at \$23.66 per \$100,000 of assessed value.

The increase will start with



STAFF

**COUNCILMAN** Robert Lieber, right, says he will consider a bond or parcel tax on the next ballot for renovation of the Albany Veterans Memorial Building. Vice Mayor Farid Javandel, left, said that although a majority of voters favor a marijuana dispensary, it seems reasonable to assume people "want to be rather cautious."

### VOTE TOTALS

Vote totals for the two Albany measures on the Nov. 7 ballot as of Wednesday afternoon.

	YES	NO
Measure C	4,339	1,339
Percent	76.4	23.6
Measure D	3,062	2,630
Percent	53.8	46.2

the 2007 tax bill, Adams said.

The city also could see another bond or parcel tax on the next ballot in two years.

Councilman Robert Lieber said he will consider bringing forward a bond or parcel tax for the next ballot for the renovation of Albany Veterans Memorial Building. It would include retrofitting, updating of the electrical, heating and cooling systems, fixing any mold problems, and restoring historical aspects of the building.

Lieber said that's the only major bond or parcel tax issue the city is going to have to face for the next five years.

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NEWS/COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Albany

Post office celebrates anniversary

The Albany post office is celebrating its 68th anniversary with a customer appreciation day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday.

To help celebrate the anniversary, a commemorative postcard sponsored by the Albany Chamber of Commerce on Nov. 5, 1938, will be on display. The postcard has a cancellation stamp with the date the post office opened, Nov. 5, 1938.

The commemorative postcard belonged to 80-year-old Richard Bertz, who lived in Albany from 1928 to 1941. Bertz, who now lives in Salem, Ore., was an avid stamp collector and came across the postcard while in the process of disposing of his collection.

The commemorative postcard of the inauguration of the Albany post office in 1938 will be on display in the customer lobby.

The post office is located at 1191 Solano Ave.

— Justin Hill

Cougar Field project report available for review

A copy of the draft environmental report for the proposed Albany High School Cougar Field improvements project is available for public review through Dec. 18.

A copy of the draft is available at the Albany Unified School District office, 904 Talbot Ave., Second Floor; Albany High School office, 603 Key Route Blvd.; Albany Middle School office, 1259 Brighton Ave.; Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave.; Albany Community Development Department, 1000 San Pablo Ave.; El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. in El Cerrito; and the El Cerrito Community Development Department.

Comments regarding the content may be made, in writing, to the Albany Unified School District, 904 Talbot Ave., Albany, CA 94706. Comments should be addressed to district Superintendent Willie Wong and be postmarked or in hand by 4:30 p.m. Dec. 18.

A public hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m. Nov. 30 at the Albany Middle School gym, 1259 Brighton Ave.

For more information, call 510-558-3766 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

— Justin Hill

El Cerrito

Book by former resident on sale

A 78-year-old woman born in El Cerrito has written a book about growing up in the city.

The book, "Harem Scarem in El Cerrito," was written by Neva Carpenter, who was born in El Cerrito in 1928. She lived in the city until her family moved to Merced when she was 13.

Carpenter now lives in Clovis.

The book costs \$13.75, plus tax and is available at the Arlington Pharmacy, 299 Arlington Ave. in Kensington; El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moers Lane in El Cerrito; the El Cerrito Natural Grocery Company, 10367 San Pablo Ave. in El Cerrito; the Glenn Custom Framing, 7027 Stockton Ave. in El Cerrito; and Jenny K, 6927 Stockton Ave. in El Cerrito.

Jenny K, 510-528-5350, and the Glenn Custom Framing, 510-558-1078, are making the book available by phone and by mail order.

The book is also available through www.jennyk.com.

Other merchants were expected to carry the book in the near future.

A reading, discussion and book-signing by the author is scheduled for 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at the El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave.

— Justin Hill

Tours of Harding School scheduled

The West County branch of the American Association of University Women invites the public when it celebrates the 125th birthday of the national organization by touring Harding Elementary School in El Cerrito on Saturday. School board President Charles Ramsey and construction manager Lance Jackson will lead tours of the school, which was renovated through the Measure M bond program.

The day starts with introductory remarks in the refurbished auditorium at 10 a.m., followed by the tour of Harding, one of the older elementary schools in the West Contra Costa district, at 10:20 a.m. For details, call AAUW program arranger Pat Player at 510-524-9789.

— Chris Treadway

City seeking board, commission members

El Cerrito is currently seeking applications for volunteer positions on city boards and commissions.

The Civil Service Commission, Planning Commission, Economic Development Board and the Financial Advisory Board all have at least one vacancy that must be filled by the City Council.

Applications can be obtained at the temporary City Hall, 10940 San Pablo Ave. (beginning on Tuesday), by calling 510-215-4305 or 510-215-4302, or by going to the city's Web site, www.el-cerrito.org.

The deadline for returning the applications to the City Clerk's office is 4 p.m. Dec. 4. Applications postmarked by Dec. 4 will also be accepted.

The Civil Service Commission hears appeals submitted by any person in civil service relative to any disciplinary action, dismissal, demotion or alleged violation of the municipal code or the personnel rules. The commission holds hearings and makes recommendations on any matter of personnel administration requested by the council or the city manager. Meetings are held on call, as needed.

The Planning Commission, which acts in an advisory capacity to the council in matters relating to planning and the physical development of the city, meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

The Economic Development Board advises the council on economic development matters, makes recommendations on the annual economic development work plan, and oversees the work of subcommittees established to concentrate on creating plans for high-priority areas. The board meets on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

The Financial Advisory Board conducts a review of the proposed annual budget and long-term financial plan for the city and the Redevelopment Agency to assist the City Council and Redevelopment Agency in making decisions on major expenditures and revenue sources. It meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

— Justin Hill

City offices to move next week

The city of El Cerrito administrative offices are moving to a temporary location while a new City Hall is being built.

Beginning at 8 a.m. Tuesday, the new offices, located at 10940 San Pablo Ave., will be open to the public. The site is a former vacant lot between the Civic Plaza Apartments and the El Cerrito Christian Center, less than a block from the current location.

The Community Development, Public Works and Finance departments as well as administration will be housed in portable buildings at the site while the new City Hall is built, a process expected to take about 18 months.

For more information, contact Karen Pinkos, assistant city manager, at 510-215-4302 or kpinkos@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us.

— Justin Hill

EL CERRITO POLICE REPORTS

TUESDAY, NOV. 7

■ **THEFT ARREST**—A 53-year-old San Francisco man was arrested on suspicion of theft with priors after he allegedly stole more than \$200 worth of vitamins at Target, 11450 San Pablo Ave. The man had placed them in a bag and left the store without paying for them, according to police. Store security employees placed him under citizen's arrest.

■ **MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT**—A 1990 Honda Accord was stolen from the 1800 block of Arlington Boulevard between about 6:30 p.m. and about 6:30 a.m. the following day.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8

■ **EMBEZZLEMENT ARREST**—A 22-year-old Richmond man was arrested on suspicion of embezzlement after he allegedly stole more than \$2,500 in cash from his register at Target, 11450 San Pablo Ave., over several weeks. The man was booked at the police department and released pending further investigation.

■ **ROBBERY ARREST**—A 17-year-old Richmond boy was arrested on suspicion of robbery after he allegedly robbed a woman of her cell phone. About 10:15 a.m., the victim of a strong-arm robbery came to the front counter of the El Cerrito Police Department, reporting that she had just been robbed of her cell phone on the Ohlone Greenway in the area of Eureka Avenue. A police officer located the boy getting onto an AC Transit bus at San Pablo Avenue and Moers Lane. The boy was on probation for robbery.

THURSDAY, NOV. 9

■ **SHOTS FIRED**—Police officers responded about 12:55 a.m. to the area of Gladys Avenue and Lawrence Street on multiple calls of shots fired. Officers found several casings from fired bullets in the street, and witnesses

who had heard the shots also heard several vehicles leaving the area. No vehicles or homes damaged by the shots were found, and there was no evidence that anyone had been struck by the bullets. People with information regarding the shots being fired can contact the El Cerrito Police Investigations Division at 510-215-4422.

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

■ **BURGLARY ARREST**—A 39-year-old Richmond man was arrested on suspicion of residential burglary after police say he was found inside a home on the 1400 block of Arlington Boulevard taking items. About 9:05 a.m., a police officer responded to the block on a report of a suspicious vehicle and located a truck in the driveway of a home that had been broken into previously. The officer found the man inside the home taking items, according to police. The man told police he thought the home was abandoned and the items were free for the taking, according to police.

■ **AUTO THEFT**—A 1993 Toyota Camry was stolen from Willow Street near Liberty Street between about 10 p.m. and about 8 a.m. the following day.

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

■ **AUTO THEFT**—A 1994 Honda Accord was stolen from the 600 block of Richmond Street between about noon and about 9:30 a.m. the following day.

■ **BURGLARY ARREST**—A 36-year-old San Francisco man was arrested on suspicion of burglary after he allegedly stole various meat and alcohol items from the Albertsons at El Cerrito Plaza. About 3:25 p.m., police officers responded to the store on a report of a shoplifter in custody. The man was found to have prior felony arrests for theft and had no means of

ALBANY POLICE REPORTS

TUESDAY, NOV. 7

■ **HONDA STOLEN**—Over the weekend, someone broke into a gray 1991 Honda Accord parked in a garage at 535 Pierce St.

■ **DOUBLE ARREST**—At about 1 p.m., officers stopped a white 1988 Honda at the dead end of Buchanan Street for a vehicle code violation. They arrested the driver, a 45-year-old El Sobrante man, on suspicion of DUI. They also arrested the passenger, a 35-year-old El Cerrito man, when he was found to have a no bail warrant from Marin County Sheriff's office.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8

■ **AUTO BREAK-IN**—A red 1997 Honda Civic parked on the 1500 block of Beverly Place was broken into during the night.

■ **SHOPLIFTING**—A 16-year-old Richmond girl was arrested at the Target store on the 1000 block of Eastshore on suspicion of shoplifting and was released to her mother with a notice to appear.

■ **BATTERY**—At about 9 p.m., police dispatch called back on a 911 call that had disconnected and talked with a woman who was crying and saying that her boyfriend was beating her and didn't want her to call 911. Officers responded to the residence on the 800 block of Masonic Avenue and arrested a 19-year-old Albany man on suspicion of battery.

THURSDAY, NOV. 9

■ **DRUG POSSESSION**—At about 4 a.m., a resident on the 700 block of Pierce Street reported that a man and a woman took his small gray garbage can and were last seen walking south toward Solano Avenue. Officers located the couple and arrested the 21-

year-old Rodeo woman when she allegedly was found to be in possession of a controlled substance. She was additionally charged for an outstanding Berkeley warrant.

■ **TOOLS STOLEN**—During the night, someone stole tools from an apartment on the 700 block of Stange Avenue that was being remodeled.

■ **HONDA STOLEN**—Someone stole a blue 1994 Honda Accord parked on the 900 block of Madison Street the previous evening.

■ **HONDA RECOVERED**—Officers located a gold Honda Accord on the 900 block of Jackson Street that had been reported as stolen from Oakland.

■ **DRUG ARREST**—At about 10 a.m., officers responded to the 500 block of Pierce Street on reports of someone hanging out near the parking garage area. They arrested the 20-year-old Albany man, who lived at the address, on suspicion of possessing marijuana for sale and a probation violation.

■ **DRUG ARREST**—Shortly before midnight, officers stopped a 38-year-old Oakland man driving a blue Nissan pickup near Gilman Street and Eastshore for a vehicle code violation. They arrested him on suspicion of two counts of drug possession, driving with a suspended driver's license, and a parole violation.

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

■ **DUI**—At about 2 a.m., officers arrested a 47-year-old Larkspur man driving a red 2001 Toyota on the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue on suspicion of DUI.

■ **THEFT**—During the night someone stole property that was in a common area of an apartment complex

paying for the items he had selected, according to police.

■ **AUTO THEFT**—A 1988 Honda Accord was stolen from Hill Street near Liberty Street between about 4 p.m. and about 7:50 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOV. 12

■ **AUTO THEFT**—A 1997 Honda Civic was stolen from the 900 block of Avis Drive between about 3 p.m. and about 10 a.m. the following day.

■ **ROBBERY**—A woman suffered minor injuries when she was pulled to the ground after someone in a moving car grabbed her purse in the parking lot of Safeway, 10636 San Pablo Ave. The woman was loading groceries into her car about 3:45 p.m. when a vehicle with a passenger hanging from the window drove by. The passenger grabbed the woman's purse, which was on her shoulder. As the car drove away, the woman was pulled to the ground. The vehicle is described as a dark gray or blue Buick Regal with no license plates and a red temporary registration sticker in the window. The car was occupied by three black males.

■ **FELON IN POSSESSION OF FIREARM**—A 46-year-old Richmond man was arrested on suspicion of being a felon in possession of a firearm after a gun was found in the vehicle he was driving, according to police. A police officer stopped the vehicle about 8 p.m. at San Pablo Avenue and Cutting Boulevard, for a registration violation. When he was told the car was going to be towed, the man, who is a convicted felon, said there was a gun in the car, according to police. The officer located a loaded .38-caliber revolver in a leather case on the driver seat, according to police.

■ **STOLEN PROPERTY ARREST**—A 24-year-old Oakland man was arrested on suspicion of possessing stolen property after he allegedly stole a large stack of stolen pallets from the rear of the pickup truck he was driving. The vehicle was stopped at 9:10 p.m. on San Pablo Avenue at Stockton Avenue for registration issues, according to police. The man did not have a driver's license, according to police. The pallets were worth about \$750.

MONDAY, NOV. 13

■ **FORGERY ARREST**—A 46-year-old Vacaville woman was arrested on suspicion of forgery, possession of stolen property and burglary after she allegedly presented a check that had been stolen from the mail at a bank, and requested a check cash count at the Wells Fargo, 9800 San Pablo Ave.

■ **THEFT ARREST**—A 27-year-old Richmond male was booked on suspicion of car theft, possession of stolen property, resisting arrest, possession of drug paraphernalia after he allegedly had driven a van that contained items from a break-in. About 2:45 a.m., a police officer observed the man outside a parked vehicle on the 1300 block of Richmond Street. As the officer talked to him, the man fled. The officer followed him to the area of Park Avenue and Kearney Street. When the officer tried to stop him, he fled. Foot and was found hiding in the bushes on the Ohlone Greenway, according to police. The van he had driven reported stolen to Richmond police that morning, and items in the van belonged to a victim of a car break-in on Glenwood Way in El Cerrito. The man also had three no-bail warrants for his arrest for drug and burglary charges.



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— Thomas Jefferson

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## GUEST COMMENTARY

## Politics becoming too personal in Albany

By Eileen Crumm

The votes are cast, the election is over, and Albany lost. Albany lost because the recent election saw the dissolution of a positive political culture that acknowledges and honors diversity of opinion. The election was marred by character assassination, overspending on slick political brochures, demonization of alternative viewpoints and even lawsuits.

In my case, sensitive information about my minor child was revealed in an attack on my husband, who was a candidate for the Albany Board of Education. The explanation for all of this unethical and inexcusable behavior is clear. We held the belief that it was so important to win that the ends justified the means.

I've heard people explain to each other, "It's not personal, it's political." But in this small community, the political is personal. We do not have the physical or moral space to separate the two. We live in each other's pockets. We shop at the same stores, walk in the same parks, and our kids go to the same schools. Spillover from the political realm into the personal cannot be prevented.

More importantly, to be successful as a community (whatever our chosen goals), we must be able to work together as a community. The political techniques we have adopted will make it hard, if not impossible, for us to live together and work together. These are the tools of demagogues, painting someone who disagrees with you as not only wrong, but somehow morally corrupt.

I've also heard people say, "So, this is the way the whole country is going. What can you do?"

I want our community to step back for a moment and make a conscious decision. Is this the place that we want to go?

At the risk of sounding naive, this is a call for the resurrection of the body politic in Albany. Let's give our friends and neighbors information on our views, even on our disagreements with our opponents' opinions, in a respectful manner. And then trust them to make a decision on what and who they want.

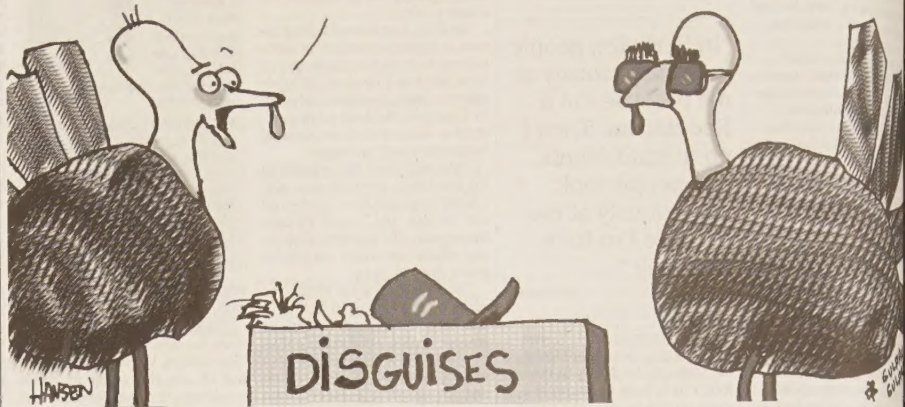
Let's not badger each other with pounds of brochures and fliers that end up at the recycling plant. Let's treat the other side and their ideas with respect, even when (especially when) we don't agree with them. All candidates are people volunteering to donate massive hours to our community; we should honor them all for their commitment to our town. Let's agree to recycle and ignore divisive pieces that do not try to educate us but rather attack an individual or a point of view.

In the end, if the end is to justify the means, let's make the choice that the end should be the construction of a strong and viable political culture that allows us all to work together even when we do not agree. Then we all win.

Eileen Crumm is a disability rights advocate and the wife of Albany school board member-elect David Glasser. The Journal welcomes guest comment submissions. E-mail [journal@cctimes.com](mailto:journal@cctimes.com) or call 510-262-2724.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## School bond money

In 2004, Albany residents voted for Measure A to fund much-needed health and safety improvements to the school buildings and grounds.

The bond included improvements for Cougar Field, such as new storm drains, an all-weather track, artificial turf, and bleachers. However, no written document or public discussion ever informed Albany voters that more than \$500,000 of their precious bond money was going to buy 70-foot-high stadium lights for the football and baseball fields (the latter not even used by students at night).

In fact, Albany residents who inquired were told the bond was not for lights; Albany and El Cerrito residents were assured, when the middle school was constructed, that there would be no lights in Cougar Field.

We have researched the impact of night football on nearby East Bay communities. El Cerrito called off night games because of repeated disturbances. The police department had to take officers away from other neighborhoods to handle problems during or after night football games. Berkeley canceled night football after ongoing disruptions culminated in calling in four patrol cars to clear the streets after a game.

We hoped the Environmental Impact Report would offer a sensible alternative that would achieve the primary purpose of the proposal — to renovate and upgrade the field facilities without negatively impacting the community.

Instead we got a list of problems that can't be mitigated, such as the effect of lights on homes north, south and west of the field, lack of adequate parking (1,344 spaces for a field that is to have 1,000 seats), and unclear police supervision. (Will Albany residents foot the bill for hiring their own security guards as has been required in other cities?) For the homes most directly affected by the lights, it proposes that the school district buy curtains!

This is not an El Cerrito vs. Albany issue. This is a case of all residents having rights to safety and peace after dark. Neighbors already live with a lot of daytime noise from the field. Furthermore, Albany voters are entitled to know how their bond money will be spent before they vote for it.

We urge residents of Albany and El Cerrito to review the draft Environmental Impact Report at the school district office at 904 Talbot Ave., ask questions, and come to the public meeting at 7 p.m. Nov. 30 at Albany Middle School Gym. All written comments must be sent to William Wong, superintendent of schools, by Dec. 18.

Richard and Clara Rogers  
Albany  
Mani Feniger  
El Cerrito

## A grateful candidate

I have always taken my right to vote as a privilege and a responsibility, the prerequisite for the preservation of the freedoms I enjoy as an American. I cannot remember when I last failed to vote in any election.

It has been the greatest privilege to have participated in the democratic process as an Albany City Council candidate. My most rewarding experiences over the last two months was talking with Albany residents on their doorsteps. Some invited me into their homes for refreshments as we continued our discus-

sions of the issues.

My greatest regret was that I did not get to talk with all Albany residents and that I spent too much time talking and not enough time listening. As a young child, lively political debates came with coffee and dessert at the evening dinner table.

I hope the free exchange of ideas can continue in our neighborhoods without the unfortunate acrimony that seemed to overwhelm this campaign at the end. Democracy flourishes when more people get involved and informed, with our hearts and minds open to hearing all points of view.

I encourage all Albany residents to stop me on the street, at the pool, at the YMCA, or drop in my office on Solano Avenue (as some already have) and continue the discussion about our city and how we can make it better. I promise to try to listen better.

Finally, I wish I could thank personally everyone who supported me and voted for me. It was an honor to represent their point of view on election day.

Francesco Papalia  
Albany

## Albany Memorial Park field sod removal

This is regarding the Journal's Nov. 10 piece, "Council keeps park turf removal plan."

As a lifetime Albany resident, user of the Memorial Park field since 1970, and someone with a passing familiarity with landscaping, irrigation and turf, I can assure the city and the council that Mayor Maris was entirely correct for asking that the council's decision not to use herbicides on the Memorial Park renovation be reviewed.

Without herbicide treatment (and possibly anyway, without sound preventive maintenance programs) the invasive foreign species of grass that holds the field hostage will positively ruin any newly installed quality turf, and perhaps even the irrigation system, within a few years if not sooner.

It is a 100 percent certainty, known to anyone who has well-established Bermuda grass in their yard, that you cannot simply dig it up and expect it to disappear. Why not save the money and leave it as it is in that case? Do it right or not at all, I say.

To the City Council: This stuff grows through concrete and asphalt, folks. It also survives winters in places where the ground freezes solid. You would be wise to engage an athletic field consultant with knowledge of turf and invasive grass

species and follow their advice.

Excavate to remove Bermuda grass! Silly! How deep are you willing to dig? Normal sod removal takes off about 6 inches.

Choose the right safe herbicide to kill the roots on advice of an expert. It may require fumigation of the soil but not removal of many cubic yards of park fill. It is now, while you have the opportunity or we Albany residents will be sorry.

Andrew Lami  
Albany

## Disenfranchised voters

Voter suppression exists in West Contra Costa County. In heavily Democratic Richmond and El Cerrito, polling places were changed so that fewer people voted.

Two Richmond polling places were in high-crime areas; voters were afraid to go. No public transportation linked voters to these polling places, and the distances were too far for most people to walk. Voters without cars who could not afford taxis were effectively prevented from voting.

Other Richmond voters received postcards from Contra Costa County telling them to vote in Pleasant Hill. When contacted about this "error," election officials promised to send corrections. Not all voters received these, and they did not vote.

In El Cerrito, some voters were directed to a faraway school. With no public transportation, many people could not vote. For all people in Precinct 6, it's long, steep climb up to Madera School and some two miles from their homes.

Many older or disabled people could not drive or walk it. This school is two miles away from BART, and riders could not easily access it either before or after going to work.

In statewide elections, where every vote counts, many people were effectively disenfranchised by Contra Costa County.

Yvonne M. Steffen  
El Cerrito

## Slanted coverage

This refers to Craig Lazzaretti's Nov. 10 editorial, "Relations with GGF field to get chillier."

If Mary Ellen Song (Letters, Nov. 10) had any doubt about the Journal's slanted coverage prior to the election, Lazzaretti left no doubt about its leanings, with his cynical depiction of the victory of Mayor Atkinson and Joanne Wile that "filled the majority of council seats with strict environmentalists who adamantly opposed any large-scale development at the waterfront, whether proposed by Rick Caruso or any other developer that may come along."

Lazzaretti wrote, "The problem is the council now consists of three members — Atkinson, Wile and Robert Liles — who clearly want the racetrack to appear."

Lazzaretti compares Golden Gate Fields to how Israel is viewed by the Middle East, and says we "acknowledge the (racetrack's) right to exist, but (our strategy is centered around driving it out of existence)." Is he comparing us with terrorists or is he implying all Middle Easterners are terrorists — what is he saying?

Magna and Frank Stronach are trouble, and it is time for a sane approach to protecting that incredibly valuable piece of land. We need to come together now that we can see daylight.

Robert Mendelsohn  
Albany

## YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

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## Stege Sanitary District

Phone 510-524-4668 or see online at [www.stegesd.dst.ca.us](http://www.stegesd.dst.ca.us).

## County Supervisors

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## NUMBERS YOU SHOULD KNOW

## City government

ALBANY  
City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Ave. 510-528-5710 Mayor Allan Maris

City Council — Meets at 8 p.m. the first and third Mondays at the City Hall Council Chamber.

Community Development — Includes planning, building and maintenance. 510-528-5760

Web site: [www.albanyca.org](http://www.albanyca.org)

## EL CERRITO

City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Ave. 510-215-4300 Mayor Janet Abelson

City Council — Meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Mondays in the Garden Room of the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane. 510-215-4305

Public Works — Report problems with city trees and sidewalks, burned-out street lights, potholes and clogged storm drains. 510-215-4382

Recycling Center — 7501 Schmidt Lane. 510-215-4350.

Web site: [www.el-cerrito.org](http://www.el-cerrito.org)

## KENSINGTON

Municipal Advisory Council — Meets at 7:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month in the Kensington Community Center, 59 Arlington Ave. Addresses zoning and land-use issues. 510-526-5546.

Police Protection and Community Services District — Meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month, except August, at the Community Center, 59 Arlington Ave. Addresses Police Department, Parks and Recreation and solid waste issues. 510-526-4141.

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## Emergency numbers

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510-374-3231. Fax: 510-374-3429. E-mail: [dist1@bos.co.contra-costa.ca.us](mailto:dist1@bos.co.contra-costa.ca.us).

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## Cities

El Cerrito: City offices, 10890 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. 510-215-4300. E-mail: [citycouncil@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us](mailto:citycouncil@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us)

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## Kensington: Fire Protection District

217 Arlington Blvd. 510-527-8395

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## School boards

West Contra Costa Unified School District: 510-620-2246

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## Non-emergency

Albany fire — 510-528-5770

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El Cerrito, Kensington Fire — 510-215-4450.

El Cerrito Police — 510-237-3233.

Kensington Police — 510-233-1214;

business line 510-526-4141.

Sewer problems — Stege Sanitary Service. 510-524-4667.

Water services — East Bay Municipal Utility District. 510-287-1380, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays, or 510-835-3000 after 4:30 p.m.

## Libraries

Albany — 1247 Marin Ave. Open Mondays, noon to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Fridays, closed; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 510-526-3720.

El Cerrito — 6510 Stockton Ave. Open noon-8 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursdays, 1-5 p.m. Fridays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays. Closed Wednesdays and Sundays. 510-526-7512.

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## Parks and recreation

Albany Recreation Programs — Community center, 1249 Marin Ave. Classes and room rental available. 510-524-9283 Child care center, 1331 Portland Ave. 510-524-0135 Teen center, 900 Buchanan St. 510-525-0576

University Village Recreation, 1125 Jackson St. 510-524-4926 Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.



# Conference in capital glimpses library future

To write is an act of hope — especially, you're hoping someone will read it."

— Billy Collins, United States Poet Laureate (2001-2002), speaking at the opening general session, California Library Association (CLA) annual conference, Nov. 10-13.



**JULIE WINKELSTEIN**  
At the Library

they had failed to actually say it — really made me laugh. What I particularly appreciate about this poet is the way he makes it seem normal to write poetry — what a gift for the young people who experience his work.

Another worthwhile presentation was called "I is Not for Indian." We heard stories of American Indian children who are tired of being asked whether they have running water or live in a teepee. Some of these kids don't even identify themselves as American Indians because they are nothing like the images presented in some books. The Native Libraries Round Table sponsored this program, and I was pleased to receive its list of recommended American Indian literature for children and young adults. Three of the books on the list received this year's first American Indian Youth Literature Award, and they were chosen because they "present Native Americans in the fullness of their humanity in the present and past contexts" (American Indian Library Association, Sept. 5).

This year I spent more time actually talking to the various vendors, who come from all over the United States and Canada. They sell everything from library furniture to online continuous customer satisfaction surveys. I was struck by their far-reaching knowledge about public libraries, and came away thinking we should be taking advantage of their expertise. Perhaps in the future, a conference like this will include a panel of librarians and vendors, giving all of us a chance to ask questions and gather information about what will work for our libraries.

Reach librarian Julie Winkelstein at [jwinkelstein@aclib.org](mailto:jwinkelstein@aclib.org) or at the Albany Library, 510-526-3720, Ext. 17. Read past columns at [www.juliewinkelstein.com](http://www.juliewinkelstein.com)

## LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

### Albany Library

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■ The next Friends of the Albany Library Book Sale is scheduled for Saturday. The sale begins at 9 a.m. and ends with a bag sale from 3-4 p.m. — all the books you can fit in a bag for \$3.

■ The library presents story times in English and Spanish for babies, toddlers and preschoolers on Saturdays through Dec. 9 (except Nov. 25). This 30-minute drop-in program will include stories, songs and rhymes in both languages.

■ Enjoy the soothing sounds of recorder, flute and Celtic harp as Healing Muses plays in the lobby of the Albany Library and Community Center from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 10. Eileen Hadidian (recorder and flute) and Patricia Haan (Celtic harp) are members of Healing Muses, a nonprofit organization that brings soothing music to Bay Area hospitals, clinics and convalescent homes.

■ Do you embroider, knit, crochet, tat or do other handicrafts? Then join the 1 p.m. Sunday Circle and enjoy an hour of sharing ideas, inspiration and conversation. Sorry, no instructions provided. The next event is Dec. 10.

■ Adult sing-alongs led by Dale Allen Boland will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday and Dec. 17. Weekly sing-alongs with Boland are held Wednesdays at 4:30

p.m. The sessions are free and for all ages. No registration required.

■ The library offers free drop-in homework help for students in third through fifth grades. The homework center is open Tuesdays and Thursdays (except county holidays) from 3 to 5 p.m. Emphasis is placed on math and writing skills. No registration is required.

■ Readers with the Great Books Discussion club meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month from 1-2 p.m. to discuss selected books on this year's theme of "Parent and Child." The November book is "The Judgment" by Franz Kafka. Drop-ins are welcome.

■ Drop-in knitting groups for all ages are held Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. Instructions, yarn and needles are provided for library projects. No registration is necessary.

### El Cerrito Library

6510 Stockton Ave. 510-526-7512 or [www.cclib.org](http://www.cclib.org)

**Hours:** Mondays and Tuesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Wednesdays, closed; Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Fridays, 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

■ The library will offer an Internet class at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 25 on health and medical information. All classes last one hour. Please register in advance.

■ Children age 3 and older and their families are invited to the library at 11 a.m. on Saturday for a special children's Book Week program of stories and creativity. After listening to a couple of old favorite stories read aloud as examples of story patterns, parent-child teams will be provided with ma-

terials to write and illustrate their own picture books. Tips from the Web pages of children's writing specialists as well as other aids to creativity will be available.

■ Readers Anonymous book club meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month. Future titles: Nov. 28: "The Piano Tuner" by Daniel Mason; Dec. 19: "Motherless Brooklyn" by Jonathan Lethem

■ If you would like to learn about the Internet or basic word processing, the library offers hourlong appointments Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Internet docents will help you learn as much as you would like. Call the library to make an appointment.

### Kensington Library

61 Arlington Ave. 510-524-3043 or [www.cclib.org](http://www.cclib.org)

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■ All interested tweens (ages 9-12) and teens are invited to join Stuff in Common, a new thematic book club at the library. The first meeting will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 30 for tweens and at 4:15 p.m. for teens. The theme for the first meeting is Books into Film. Tweens may read any of the following books and see a corresponding movie version: "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" by Roald Dahl (either the 1971 or 2005 movie version) or "Holes" by Louis Sachar or "Ella Enchanted" by Gail Carson Levine. Teens may read any of the following books and see a

corresponding movie version: "I, Robot" by Isaac Asimov or "The Haunting of Hill House" by Shirley Jackson (see either the 1963 or 1999 film versions, both titled "The Haunting") or "The Outsiders" by S.E. Hinton or "Emma" by Jane Austen (see either the 1996 version starring Gwyneth Paltrow or the 1995 film Cleopatra). Think about what changes when a book is made into a movie and how much those changes matter to the story. Copies of all these books and movies are available at the Kensington Library.

■ The library will hold family story times on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. through Nov. 28. All ages are welcome.

■ Kicking off a new series of craft programs, all tweens and teens (grades 4-12) are invited to make tiny treasure tins at 3 p.m. today. Convert used tin mints boxes into a customized chest for your teeniest treasures.

■ The next meeting of the library's book club will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 27, where it will discuss "Things Fall Apart" by Chinua Achebe. Book group meetings are held on the fourth Monday of every month in the library at 7 p.m.

■ Meetings of the library's knitting club, "Castoffs," are held at 7 p.m. the first Monday of the month. All levels are welcome, and some help will be provided.

— Craig Lazeretti

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## EL CERRITO SCHOOL NOTES

### El Cerrito High School

**PARENT WORKSHOP:** There will be a free parent workshop on college finances from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday. Sue Kim, a college financial consultant, will present the nuts and bolts of financial aid, the elements of the aid package, cash flow strategies, and much more. This workshop is intended for parents of high schoolers, but parents of middle schoolers are also encouraged to attend.

**COLLEGE ADMISSIONS:** Learn the ins and outs of college admissions from 1 to 3 p.m. Dec. 10 at St. Peter Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, 5324 Cypress Ave., El Cerrito. St. Peter CME Church is El Cerrito's only African-American church. College Admission 101 will be presented by Jim Walker of Walker Walker & Associates. Walker is a 30-year professional college counselor in the East Bay. He gives college admission lectures at area high schools and churches. Free lunch will be served at noon. Child care provided.

### Harding Elementary

**AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT:** Today is the final day to register for After School Enrichment classes. Bring your completed registration form with payment to the Harding office or register in-person at the El Cerrito Community Center. Classes include art, dance, music, science, knitting, jewelry making, writing, Spanish, computers and ASL. The registration form and a full list of classes are available on the Harding Web site: <http://hardingpta.org/>

**ENGLISH LEARNERS:** English Learners Advisory Committee meeting, Monday, 6 p.m., library. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please come to this meeting. To learn more about ELAC, contact Principal Melissa Chin at 510-231-1133.

**PORTOLA MEETING:** WCCUSD off-

icals will discuss plans to rebuild Portola Middle School somewhere in El Cerrito at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Harding Auditorium. For future meeting dates: <http://hardingpta.org/>

**SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL:** A meeting of the school site council will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 28 in the library. SSC meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of every month.

**RECYCLING CONTEST:** The recycling contest ends Wednesday, Nov. 29. The Harding classroom that collects the most used electronics and cartridges wins an ice cream party. Ask family, friends and businesses to save these items for the school: used empty ink jet cartridges; laser cartridges; used cell phones; laptops (with power cords); PDA/Palm Pilots (with accessories) or iPods (with accessories).

— Craig Lazeretti

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## ALBANY SCHOOL NOTES

### Albany High School

**DONATIONS REQUESTED:** The Leadership class would like you to join them in helping children in need. Stop by the table set up outside the lunch shelter today and a donation box will be on the table. Please donate what you can.

**GRADUATION ORDERS:** Achievers, Inc. will be on campus Nov. 20-21 during lunch. Students will be able to order class rings, graduation cap/gowns, and graduation announcements during these two days. The price of a cap/gown/tassel/medallion unit (everything needed for graduation) is \$33 plus tax. Students who place a class ring order before Nov. 30 will receive a free cap and gown. You can place your class ring order with a \$60 deposit. If you are placing a graduation order (which includes graduation announcements) a \$30 deposit is required. If you have additional questions, please call Achievers Inc. at 408-441-7200.

**ATHLETIC BOOSTERS:** The AHS Ath-

letic Boosters invite you to support the Boosters while learning some important information about stress and success in teens. The American Academy of Pediatrics has just published "Less Stress, More Success: A New Approach to Guiding Your Teen through College Admissions and Beyond." The Boosters are making this book available for \$20 per copy (tax deductible non-profit donation). Order forms are available in the main office. You can also contact Judy Kerr at 510-528-9026 for more details or for an order form.

**CODY'S FUNDRAISER:** Cody's fundraiser begins today and continues through Monday. Cody's will donate a store credit to the AHS library for 25 percent of your net purchases on those days, including gift certificates. This is a great time to buy gifts and next year's calendars. If you don't

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## LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

**Senior Center** — Weekdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., 846 Masonic. Activities include: line dancing, line dancing, line dancing, line dancing. Traditional circle dance for women of all ages, 10:15-11:15 a.m. Wednesday, \$5. Mercy Day today. 510-524-9122.

**Lutheran Senior Center** — Weekdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., 780 Ashbury

Ave. Conversational German and Spanish, current events, computers, line dancing. Monday, the center will hold its Thanksgiving feast and the Hawaiian Dancers will entertain. 510-524-1050.

■ **The Open House** — Mondays-Thursdays, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Fridays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 6500 Stockton Ave. Cultural, arts, writing and language programs; computer classes; senior excursions; Mind Works and weekly cash bingo. 510-215-4340.

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## Honoring Old Glory

CUB SCOUT Paul Oliveras, 10, of Albany Pack 3, stands at attention with his dad, scout master Jerry Oliveras, during a flag celebration on Veterans Day at Civic Center Park in Berkeley on Saturday. A sparse but appreciative crowd gathered for the event, including Berkeley Mayor Tom Bates. At left, Sam Gomes, of Boy Scouts of America Troop 19, receives the flag as it is lowered during the flag celebration event.



# This holiday season, give the gift of East Bay Regional parks

THE HOLIDAYS are just around the corner, and many of us are putting together our gift-giving lists. For the outdoor enthusiasts and nature lovers on your list, consider a couple of options available through the East Bay Regional Parks.

Gift cards are new this year. Though kayaks are hard to wrap and llamas require large pet carriers, a gift card fits in an envelope and allows the recipient to choose the class of interest to them. The gift card can be purchased in any amount, and is good for nearly all recreational and naturalist-led programs.

A quick look through the "Regional in Nature" activity guide or activities listed on the EBRPD Web site shows classes ranging from \$5 to \$95, with most less than \$25 and offered at parks throughout Alameda and Contra Costa counties. (Note: there are also many free programs available.)

Parents with young children could use a gift card to sign up for a series of programs such as Crab Cove's Sea Squirts, Tilden's Mini-Farmers, Coyote Hill's Coyote Cubs and Sunol's Wilderness Trekkers. The card could also make a perfect gift for those on your list who would like to try a new hobby — kayaking, flyfishing, nature photography or hiking with a llama — in the regional parks.

There are a few activities that gift cards can't be used for: Tilden Botanic Garden courses, parking fees, general admission to Ardenwood, and some special events. To get your gift card, call 510-636-1684 with the recipient's name and amount you'd like to purchase. The card and a current activity guide will be mailed to them or to you for personal delivery. Best of all, there's no expiration date to use the card.

A second gift option, sure to please its recipient, is an annual membership with the Regional Parks. Your gift will be thought of every time the recipient uses the unlimited day-use parking in any East Bay Regional Park or uses it to swim for free. Members receive the bimonthly activity guide deliv-

SHAROL NELSON-EMBRY  
Park II

Gift cards are new this year. Though kayaks are hard to wrap and llamas require large pet carriers, a gift card fits in an envelope and allows the recipient to choose the class of interest to them.

ered to their home as well as a members-only newsletter. Members are entitled to discounts on camping and boat rentals in the Regional Parks and much more.

Basic membership starts at \$50 for an individual and \$95 for a family (two adults and up to four children younger than 18). There are discounted rates available for seniors, people with disabilities and students. Members outside of Alameda and Contra Costa counties pay slightly more.

Special donor-circle memberships are available with the benefit of a tax-deductible contribution to the Regional Parks Foundation, which helps low-income families, seniors and people with disabilities participate in outdoor activities. Memberships can be purchased by mail, at regional park visitor centers, at any staffed park entry kiosk, or at administrative headquarters in Oakland. For information about membership benefits or to get an application call 510-544-2203 or e-mail members@ebparks.org.

On Saturday, the "Women on Common Ground: Twilight Hike" will be at Pinole from 2:30-6 p.m. The program is led by naturalist Katie Colbert and Linda Yemoto, and will cover four miles in the park. Participants will explore the landscape, discover native plants and animals, and enjoy a meal at the "Women on Common Ground" picnic area. The program is a series of programs offered for women who like to hike, camp and explore the parklands with other women. To reserve your spot for this free program call 862-2604; you can also see the complete series schedule.

Tilden Nature Area has fun programs for families on Sunday. From 10-11 a.m., hear "Turkey Tales" and see the Little Farm's own turkey. Then from 3-4:30 p.m., sky-gazers can learn about "Clouds and You!"

Learn about cloud names and cloud families, go on a short cloud hike, and enjoy cloudy science. Both programs are free, and no reservations are needed; call 510-525-2200.

Shorebirds are massing in the Bay this time of year. Programs are scheduled at Martin Luther King Jr. Regional Shoreline in Oakland to help you learn more about them. Sunday from 2-4 p.m., naturalist Michael Charnofsky will lead a low-tide birdwatching adventure. Sunday's program is by reservation; call 510-636-1684, or online at www.ebparks.org. Then on Tuesday from 7:30-9:30 a.m., naturalist Bethany Facelli will meet birdwatchers for part of her "Tuesday's Birds" program series. Tuesday's program is a drop-in program; for more information, call 510-525-2200.

Sharol Nelson-Embry is a supervising naturalist at the Cove Visitor Center in Alameda. She is currently leaving from her regular duty and writing the weekly column.

# Cell phones are risky business for students at El Cerrito High

Devices were banned because their use was causing problems on campus, officials say

By Amy Jeffries  
CORRESPONDENT

El Cerrito High School junior Kenneth Thornton had switched his cell phone to vibrate and stashed it in the pocket of his jeans. When it went off in Jim Perrero's history class, he ducked under his desk.

"Who is this?" whispered Thornton, 16. "I'm gonna call you back."

Sliding back up into his chair, Thornton said he had to take the call.

"I didn't know that number. It could have been important."

But answering a cell phone at El Cerrito High is now risky business. The school's 1,250 students were greeted on the first day with warnings that their phones would be confiscated if they were in view at any time during school hours.

Last year, when hundreds of El Cerrito's students flipped out their phones during lunch periods, the noise on the school's compact temporary campus could be deafening, Assistant Principal Jamersina Preston said. Students often were trying to hold two conversations at once: one with classmates and another on the phone. The multitasking sometimes led to confrontation.

Preston said a student might use a profane word on the phone, but someone nearby would think the comment was meant for them. Fights, she said, could erupt "in seconds."

In another incident last year, students involved in a fight used cell phones to call for backup. Friends from outside the school hopped the fence to join the fight, Preston said.

But even with the new ban, phones are ubiquitous. Students don't carry simple calculators or wear watches anymore — they have phones for that. They use their phones like global positioning systems to find each other on campus or to keep in touch with friends at other schools.

Senior Monet Smith, 17, didn't hesitate to pull a charger out of her backpack during Chris Silva's English class on a recent day to juice up her black Motorola.

"I'm not using (my phone); it's off," Smith said. "I just don't want it to be dead when I leave school. ... I have a doctor's appointment, and I just need to know where my daddy's at."

The West Contra Costa Unified School District established its cell phone policy in 2004, banning the devices from all classrooms. Principals were given discretion over whether to allow students to use them during lunch. Until this year, a

ban at lunch or during passing times had not been enforced at El Cerrito, and it was not enforced uniformly in the classroom, either.

Preston said teachers at El Cerrito agreed to crack down this year. But in fact, teachers still differ in how they deal with the policy.

Silva, 28, lets students charge their phones in his classroom. The second-year teacher said he is sympathetic to students' need for phones to coordinate schedules or contact their parents in an emergency.

But, Silva said, he will snatch cell phones when students are sending text messages in class or chatting over lunch.

"They know this is the wrong

place to screw around," he said, referring to the location of his portable at the back of the campus. "Normally, the back of the school is where all the bad stuff happens, but this is the safest place on campus."

Lawrence Pang, 23, a second-year math teacher, is more reluctant to confiscate phones.

First, he warns students. Next, he takes the phone; and on the third offense, he takes it to the office.

"I want to avoid the confrontation," said Pang, who said he wants to gain more credibility and experience with the students.

Pang is also trying to lead by example. Recently, he confiscated his own phone.

"My (phone's) alarm went off," he said. "I pulled it out of my pocket, opened up my desk drawer, and dropped it in."

Students seem to be getting the message. On the first day of school, more than 30 phones were confiscated, Preston said. The second day, about two dozen were taken. Then it was down to three or four a day.

Students are using their phones less often during school hours, even if they refuse to leave them at home.

The silhouette of sophomore Kaiya Gatewood's phone is obvious in the chest pocket of her jacket.

"I can't live without my phone," she said. "If I lose my phone at home and I go to school, I go and get it."

In the moments before the morning bell rang on September school day, Kaiya, half-dozen text messages, and her friends had to rush their messages in before 7 a.m.

"I don't get any text messages during school," she said, "because you can't use your phone during school."

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## Sounds of the season

**HEARTS ARE SINGING** ... bells are ringing to invite the community to the "Season of Light" Holiday Boutique and Luncheon at Arlington Community Church from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2. Handmade boutique items, jewelry, baked goods, jams, jellies, hand-knitted items and other gift ideas will be available for purchase. There will also be a raffle for handmade Raggedy Ann and Andy. Lunch will be at noon by reservation (\$10 per person). The Arlington Bell Choir, pictured above, will perform for those attending the luncheon. Back row, left to right, are Linda Young, Elena Caruthers, Helen Winters and Anne Melamud. Front row, left to right, Dorothelle Fites, Kevin Lau, choir director Shanti Moorjani, Jill Bryans and Lydia Zane. The luncheon will also feature the children's choir and vignettes from Aesop's Fables for Peace by the church's youth drama group. Invite a friend and call the church office at 510-526-9146 for reservations. The church facilities are wheelchair accessible.

**Kensington Symphony Orchestra** — holiday concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 9. Features holiday favorites by Handel, Johann Strauss, Tchaikovsky, Telemann, and more. Northminster Presbyterian Church, 545 Ashbury Ave., El Cerrito. \$12-\$15, children free. 510-524-9912.

### SUPPORT

**Narconon Arrowhead** — Is addiction ruining the holiday spirit? Are you losing everything that is important to you? Do you not know what to do to help? Something can be done about it. Details: 800-468-6933, www.stopaddiction.com.

### FILM/DANCE/STAGE

**Contra Costa Civic Theatre** — "And Then There Were None," through Dec. 9. Agatha Christie's murder mystery. Show times: 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. on Nov. 19, Nov. 26 and Dec. 3. 951 Pomona Ave., El Cerrito. \$11-\$18. 510-524-9132, www.ccct.org.

### COMMUNITY

**RabbitEARS** — Non-Anesthetic Teeth Cleaning for cats and dogs, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 18 and Dec. 16. \$45. Healing Circle for Animals, 4-5 p.m. Dec. 2; \$25. Lonely Hearts Critter Boys Club, 2-4 p.m. Dec. 3; meet neutered male bunnies, guinea pigs, rats and hamsters. Animal Communication, 5-6 p.m. Dec. 9; one-on-one session with animal whisperer, \$25. Kensington Second annual Holiday Craft Fair, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 10; over 30 vendors. 303 Arlington Ave., Kensington. Details: 510-525-6155, fupets@yahoo.com.

**St. Peter CME Church** — "Peace Walk - 2006," 10 a.m. Nov. 18. Walk's purpose is to call attention to unsolved community murders and share message of peace. St. Peter CME Church, 5324 Cypress Ave., El Cerrito. Details: 510-233-5559.

**Hopalong Animal Rescue** — Pets available for adoption and foster home placement. Dogs available 12-3 p.m. Nov. 18 at PetSmart, 1001 Eastshore Highway, Albany. 510-267-1915, www.hopalong.org.

**Kensington Farmer's Market** — Kensington Elementary School students sell holiday cards, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 19; proceeds benefit Progress Elementary School in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Narsal David bottle signing, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 19. 303 Arlington Ave., Kensington. Details: 510-528-4346 or kensingtonfarm@yahoo.com.

**Arlington Community Church** — "Season of Light" Holiday Boutique and Luncheon, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Dec. 2. Lunch at noon by reservation, handmade boutique items, jewelry, baked

goods, jams, jellies, hand-knitted items, and more on sale. Raffle for handmade Raggedy Ann and Andy. Music performances by Arlington Bell Choir and Children's Choir. Church's Youth Drama Group performs vignettes from "Aesop's Fables for Peace." 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington. \$10 includes lunch. Reser-

ventions: 510-526-9146. Details: Linda, 510-527-4835; Susan, 510-524-4782.

**Friends of Five Creeks** — Speakers. Friends of Corte Madera Creek's Charles Kennard speaks on Corte Madera watershed and Indian basketry, 7 p.m. Dec. 4. All are welcome. Albany

Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany. Free. 510-848-9358, fscreeks@aol.com, www.fivecreeks.org.

**Alameda County Community Food Bank** — Holiday Food Drive, through Dec. 31. Sponsor a Food Drive at your business, school, place of worship or community center. Help Food Bank collect nutritious, nonperishable food for families in need during holiday season. Details: 510-635-3663, Ext. 318; food-drive@accfb.org; www.accfb.org.

**Sutter Visiting Nurses Association & Hospice** — flu shot clinics, through Jan. 6. Thimerosal-free, \$25 for flu shots, \$35 for pneumonia shots. To find a nearby clinic: 800-500-2400 or www.sutterhealth.org/health/flushot/index.html or www.suttervna.org/services/services\_flu\_shot.html.

### EXHIBITS

**Michael-Che Swisher** — Holiday Open Studio, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 18-19, Nov. 25-26, Dec. 2-3. 727 Talbot Ave., Albany. 510-524-7664, www.ms-gallery.com.

**Wiley Manuel Courthouse** — "Doris Mendell: Recent Paintings," through Nov. 30. Art exhibit by Albany resident. Third Floor Jury Room, 661 Washington St., Oakland.

**El Cerrito Art Association** — Exhibits through November. Member Madeline Ibrahim's abstract acrylic paintings show at El Cerrito Community Center Gallery, 7007 Mooser Lane; and at Bank of America, 10422 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. Art Association members are exhibiting artwork at El Cerrito Department of Motor Vehicles, 6400 Manila Ave.; and at El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. Details: 510-526-9564.

## ONGOING

### VOLUNTEERS

**California Peace Action** — Volunteers needed to assist paid staff, work independently, provide technical support and aid in community outreach. Dedicated to building a citizen's movement for changes in United States foreign policy. 510-849-2272, Ext. 104, sophia@californiapaceaction.org.

**Albany Senior Center** — Volunteer opportunities at 846 Masonic Ave., Albany: Shopping van drivers, desk work, special events, kitchen helpers, Meals-On-Wheels drivers and more. Donate a few hours a week for a great cause. 510-524-9122.

**Red Cross volunteers needed** — Interested in helping disaster victims? Join Alameda County Disaster Action Team. Free training. Agency Fair Representatives needed to staff booths at fairs, parades and festivals; good people skills a plus. First Aid Station workers needed during Bay Area public events. Details: Eva, 510-595-4472, www.bayarea-redcross.org.

**The Turnabout Shop** — Thrift shop volunteers needed at 10052 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. Proceeds support local health care needs. Donations of clothing, household items are welcome. 510-525-7844.

**ASSE International Student Exchange Programs** — Need area representative volunteers to interview families and council exchange students. Training, materials and reimbursements provided. Details: Windy, 800-733-2773, 520-319-2773.

**Civil Rights** — Activists needed. Write the ACLU chapter of Berkeley, Albany, Richmond, and Kensington at P.O. Box 11141, Berkeley, CA 94701.

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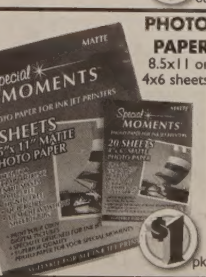
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## OUTDOORS

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## COMMUNITY

■ **Bay Area Community Services** Offers special lunch days, noon-1 p.m. at various locations in Alameda County. \$2.25 donation. Details and reservations: 510-986-8900, www.bayareacs.org.

■ **Kensington Farmers' Market** — Runs 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays all year. ACE Hardware parking lot, 303 Arlington Ave., Kensington, 510-525-6155, kensingtonfm@yahoo.com.

■ **Albany Senior Center** — Low Vision Support Group, noon-1 p.m. third Fridays monthly; free. Massage Therapy 1:45-4:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesdays, \$25 for 30 minutes. Caregiver Support Group, noon-1 p.m. second and third Thursdays monthly. Free foot and Health Care, 9-11:30 a.m. second Mondays monthly, free. Rosen Movement, noon-1 p.m. Wednesdays, \$5 per class. 846 Masonic Ave., Albany, 510-524-9122.

■ **Hopalong Animal Rescue** — Dog and puppy temporary foster homes are urgently needed. Local animal shelters are overcrowded and the situation is desperate. 510-267-1915, www.hopalong.org.

## DONATIONS

■ **Cars needed** — Boys and Girls Clubs throughout California run car campaigns to help support their programs. To donate a car, call 800-246-0493. Some restrictions apply.

■ **The Turnabout Shop** — Seeking thrift shop volunteers at 10052 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. Proceeds support local health care needs. Shop hours: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Donations of clothing and household items are welcome. 510-525-7844.

## CHILDREN/TEENS

■ **Contra Costa Civic Theatre** — Offers theater classes and seminars for children, and youth and adult programs including summer camps, stage craft seminars, after-school programs, theater techniques and improvisation, all taught by professionals. 951 Pomona Ave., El Cerrito, 510-524-9132, www.cctc.org.

■ **Special Children's Programs** — 9 a.m.-noon Mondays-Thursdays. For children 22 months-3½ years old. Safe atmosphere, qualified supervision. El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane, El Cerrito. Registration continuous, space permitting. 510-215-4371.

■ **Albany Karate for Kids** — Nonaggressive classes for ages 4-16 taught by a female black belt instructor. Classes help develop self-confidence and skill. Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany, 510-847-2400, http://albanykarateforkids.com.

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■ **Folkdance classes** — 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays. For all levels. Arlington Community Church, 53 Arlington Ave., Kensington. \$30 for six-week session (pro-rated fees apply), \$8 for drop-in session. Details: Mel, 510-848-5289, before 9 p.m.

## MEETINGS/LECTURES

■ **El Cerrito Lions Club** — Meets 7 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays monthly. Hacienda Restaurant, 12020 San Pablo Ave., Richmond. Second Tuesday is Guest Night with dinner, a short business meeting, and a speaker; fourth Tuesday is dinner and Board of Directors meeting. Dinner \$13. Reservations: Dean, 510-233-6663.

■ **Simplicity Forum** — Meets monthly to discuss ways to change lives by finding ways to work less, consume less, rush less, have more time to build community with friends and family, and live more lightly upon the planet. 510-526-6596, www.simplifyingliving.net.

■ **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** — Albany Chapter meetings, 9:30 a.m. Mondays. 980 Stannage Ave., Albany. Details: Mary, 510-526-3711.

■ **El Cerrito Toastmasters** — Meets 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays monthly. Group offers basic public speaking and leadership activities and programs. Speakers of all skill levels in-

vited. El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane. Details: Jim, [jim@peachpit.com](mailto:jim@peachpit.com).

■ **Kol Hadash** — Jewish Humanistic (non-theistic) Congregation celebrates major Jewish holidays, holds special events, and meets at Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany. Group meets 7:30 p.m. fourth Fridays monthly for Shabbat (Sabbath), and two Sundays monthly for Sunday School and Bar/Bat Mitzvah classes. A Family Brown Bag Shabbat is held at 11 a.m. on second Saturdays of odd months at Albany Senior Center, 846 Masonic Ave., Albany, 510-428-1492, www.kol-hadash.org.

## SUPPORT

■ **Neighborhood Parents Network** — Offers information, support, social and educational events, a monthly newsletter, play groups, support groups, preschool and elementary school info, more for East Bay families. 877-648-5437, www.npnonline.org.

■ **Narconon** — Nonprofit public benefit organization specializing in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions of free professional assessments, advice, referrals to over 11,000 treatment centers nationally. 800-556-8885, <http://drugrehab.net>.

■ **Narconon Arrowhead** — Help in coping with addicts. Narconon Arrowhead offers free counseling, assessments, referrals to rehabilitation centers. 800-468-6933, www.stopaddiction.com.

■ **National Alliance on Mental Illness-East Bay Chapter** — sponsors a free monthly family support group at Albany United Methodist Church, 980 Stannage Ave., Albany, 510-524-1250, www.nami.org

■ **Charcot Marie Tooth** — Quarterly support group meetings are held at Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave. CMT is a neuropathic disorder. Details: Gail, 408-425-5629.

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## LEARNING

■ **World Affairs/Politics group** — meets 9:45-11:15 a.m. Mondays. For people aged 60+. Albany Senior Center, 846 Masonic Ave. \$3 per week includes refreshments. Details: 510-524-9122.

■ **St. John's Prime Timers** — 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays in Berkeley. Ongoing classes in ceramics, weaving, copper enameling, exercise and creative writing. New members, seniors older than 50 are welcome. Discount lunches offered. 510-845-6830.

■ **Community Country Dance** — 8-11 p.m. second Fridays monthly. Intro class is 7:30 p.m.; Contra, circle, and couple dances with live fiddle music, prompted by caller. No partners required, beginners welcome; wear clean, non-marking shoes. Prospect Sierra School, 960 Avis Drive, El Cerrito. \$10. 510-524-9132, <http://cctc.org>.

■ **Contra Costa Civic Theatre** — Offers theater classes and seminars, taught by professionals, for all ages, all year, including summer camps, stage craft seminars, after-school programs, theater techniques and improvisation. Classes at 951 Pomona Ave., El Cerrito. 510-524-9132, <http://cctc.org>.

■ **Assets Senior Employment** — Offers a job training program for income-eligible people 55 and older living in Oakland, Emeryville, Berkeley and Albany. Earn when you learn. Interested in working with children? Receive college credit in Early Childhood Development while being paid. 510-238-3554.

■ **Mid-Life Women's Group** — Meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays. For support, friendship and sharing issues; with an experienced facilitator. 510-237-2210.

vacation packages (through Disney Resorts), at Disney stores and Disney online. It comes in \$25, \$100 and \$1,000 denominations, and the PTA gets 7 percent back. (The \$1,000 cards are not listed on the scrip form but are available; just use the \$100 line and write in the correct amount.) Also, check the PTA bulletin board for information about using scrip for your holiday shopping and gift giving.

**T-SHIRT ORDERS:** Order quality shirts for the entire family. Prices: \$8 — green short-sleeve T-shirts with white lettering; \$12 — white long-sleeve T-shirts with green lettering (new this year); \$14 — gray sweatshirts with green lettering; \$18 — gray hooded sweatshirts with green lettering. Turn in orders at the office by Wednesday. Shirts will be delivered to your child's classroom in approximately 2-3 weeks. Extra shirts will be available for purchase from the PTA throughout the school year in limited sizes and quantities. Contact Eden O'Brien-Brenner at 510-527-7333 or [edobrenner@baymca.org](mailto:edobrenner@baymca.org).

## BERKELEY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## RELIGION

■ **Jewish Community Center of the East Bay** — Discussions and Fellowship, 50+ Singles Group, 10:30 a.m.-noon Nov. 19 and Dec. 17, free. Screening of *Kitka and Davka* in concert: old and new world Jewish music, 4 p.m. Dec. 3, \$5. Chanukah Fair, afternoon of Dec. 10. "Judaism and Awakening Joy," 7:30-9 p.m. Dec. 12; \$5-\$25 donation/class. Details: [margie@jcc-online.org](mailto:margie@jcc-online.org). Community Shabbat Dinner and Celebration, 6-8 p.m. Dec. 15, \$5-\$12. R.S.V.P. by Dec. 13. "Miracle of Chanukah" with Ira Levin, 11:30 a.m. Dec. 18, lunch at noon; program free. \$6-\$6.50 for lunch, 1414 Walnut St. Details: 510-848-0237, [info@brjcc.org](mailto:info@brjcc.org) or [www.brjcc.org](http://www.brjcc.org).

## MUSIC

■ **San Francisco City Chorus** — concert, 8 p.m. Nov. 17. Features Mendelssohn's "St. Paul Oratorio." First Congregational Church of Berkeley, 2345 Channing Way. \$15-\$20, free with student ID. 415-701-SONG, [info@sfcitychorus.org](mailto:info@sfcitychorus.org).

■ **UC Berkeley Department of Music** — University Chorus concert, 8 p.m. Nov. 17. Features shortened version of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" oratorio with narration. Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley campus. \$5-\$15. Tickets: 510-642-9988. Details: 510-642-4864, <http://music.berkeley.edu>.

■ **Free concert** — Matt Costa performs, noon Nov. 17. Lower Sprout Plaza, UC Berkeley campus.

■ **Berkeley Broadway Singers** — "Just Go To The Movies" Fall Concert, 8 p.m. Nov. 18. St. Ambrose Church, 1145 Gilman St. Free. 510-604-5732, [www.berkeleybroadwaysingers.org](http://www.berkeleybroadwaysingers.org).

■ **Flauti Diversi** — "Classical Rhapsody" concert, 8 p.m. Nov. 18. Features quartets of Bach and Mozart for flute, strings and harpsichord. MusicSources, 1000 The Alameda. \$15-\$18. 510-527-9840.

■ **Organ Music at St. John's** — recital series. Sandra Soderlund: Works by William Byrd, Orlando Gibbons, John Bull, Dietrich Buxtehude, Jan Peeterzoon Sweelinck, Pierre du Mage, and J.S. Bach, 4 p.m. Nov. 19. St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. \$5-\$15. Details: 510-845-6830.

■ **St. Mark's Episcopal Church** — St. Mark's Choir Association in concert. Concert featuring Arvo Part's "Berliner Messe," 10 a.m. Nov. 19. 2300 Bancroft Way. 510-845-0888.

■ **UC Berkeley Department of Music** — Berkeley Contemporary Chamber Players in concert, 8 p.m. Nov. 20. Features music by Berkeley New Music Project composers. Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley campus. \$4-\$12. Tickets: 510-642-9988. Details: 510-642-4864, <http://music.berkeley.edu>.

■ **Noon Concert Series** — 12:15-1 p.m. Wednesdays. Nov. 29: Javanese Gamelan. Dec. 6: Chamber Chorus and University Chorus performs "A Child Was Born." Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley campus. Free. <http://music.berkeley.edu/callendar>.

■ **Cal Performances** — Talis Scholars in concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 8. Features music before 1850: Tallis, Tye, de Monte, Palestrina and Taverner. "Sightlines" preperformance talk by Peter Phillips at 7 p.m. First Congregational Church, 2345 Channing Way. \$46. Tickets: 510-642-9988, [www.calperfs.berkeley.edu](http://www.calperfs.berkeley.edu).

■ **Berkeley High School Jazz Ensemble** — Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 1.

Food for sale before concert and permission. Florence Schwemmer Theater, 1930 Alston Way. \$3-\$10 for Berkeley High School students. Faculty and staff. Details: 510-528-6282.

■ **UC Berkeley Department of Music** — Young Musicians Program in concert. Along Messiah, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 10. Along to Handel's "Messiah." First Congregational Church, 2345 Channing Way. \$67. Tickets: 415-392-4400, [www.harmonia.org](http://www.harmonia.org).

■ **Berkeley Community Chorus** — Orchestra — concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 4:30 p.m. Dec. 3, and 4:30 p.m. Dec. 17. Features works of Bernstein, Land, White, excerpts from "Fiddlers," "The Children's Hour" and "St. Joseph the Worker Church." Addison St. Free, donations welcome. 510-433-9599, [www.bcco.org](http://www.bcco.org).

■ **Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra** — "A Bach Christmas" concert, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 2, 7 p.m. Dec. 3. Features quartets of Beethoven. "Sightlines" preperformance talk by John Phillips at 2 p.m. Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley campus. \$42. Tickets: 510-642-9988, [www.calperfs.berkeley.edu](http://www.calperfs.berkeley.edu).

■ **Cal Performances** — Talis Scholars in concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 3. Features quartets of Beethoven. "Sightlines" preperformance talk by John Phillips at 2 p.m. Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley campus. \$42. Tickets: 510-642-9988, [www.calperfs.berkeley.edu](http://www.calperfs.berkeley.edu).

■ **Pacific Mozart Ensemble** — "Freedom" concert, 5 p.m. Dec. 4. Evening of spirituals: multimedia presentation of soundtrack to *Amistad*. Berkeley City Club, 2201 Durant Ave. \$15-\$25. Tickets: 415-392-0848, [www.pacificmozart.org](http://www.pacificmozart.org).

■ **Pacific School of Religion** — Advent Lessons and Carols concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 4. Event traces biblical roots of Christmas through music, song readings, and dance. Chapel, 1700 Scenic Ave. Free. Details: Kap, 510-8239.

■ **Cal Performances** — Canadian Brass in concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 5. Program: Bach, Forsythe, Miller, Buzon. More. Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley campus. \$24-\$48. Tickets: 510-642-9988, [www.calperfs.berkeley.edu](http://www.calperfs.berkeley.edu).

■ **Womensing** — "Welcome Wreath" day concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 6. Features works of Mathias, English chorale texts, Carter, Song of Solomon, Rutter's Silent Night and more. First Congregational Church, 2345 Channing Way. \$10-\$20. Tickets: 925-8744, [www.womensing.org](http://www.womensing.org).

■ **UC Berkeley Department of Music** — University Symphony Orchestra concert, 8 p.m. Dec. 8. Features Sibelius' "Symphony No. 4" and Mahler's "Symphony No. 4." Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley campus. \$5-\$15. Tickets: 510-642-9988. Details: 510-642-4864, <http://music.berkeley.edu>.

■ **Crowden Music Center** — At Four Corners Series, 4 p.m. Dec. 8. Arlekin String Quartet performs with Haydn, Shostakovich, and Tchaikovsky. 1475 Rose St. \$12, free for youth and under. 510-559-2941, [www.crowden.org](http://www.crowden.org).

■ **Nor-Cal Theatre Organ Society** — "Pops" concert, 8:30 p.m. Feb. 1. Chris Gorsuch performs. Berkeley Music Theatre, 1930 Alston Way. \$15. Details: John, 510-532-9177.

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## Marin Elementary

**CODY'S FUNDRAISER:** Mark your calendars now for Cody's upcoming Benefit Daze fundraiser, which runs today through Monday. Cody's will donate a store credit to the Marin School library for 25 percent of your net purchases this weekend, including gift certificates. This is a great time to buy holiday gifts and next year's calendars. Just save your original receipts and turn them in to the Cody's envelope in the school office. Cody's stores are in Berkeley at 1730 Fourth St. and in San Francisco at 2 Stockton St.

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**CODY'S FUNDRAISER:** Cody's Books offers an annual "Benefit Daze" fundraiser between today and Monday. Deposit your receipt in the box in the school office. Cody's will offer a

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Vice Mayor Farid Javandel said that although a majority of voters favor a dispensary, it

In the final letter, which is dated Nov. 5, Decker writes, "I ask residents of Kensington to NOT vote for Scher for a position on the Police Protection & Community Services District. He is too irresponsible, a very poor neighbor and self-centered for a local public position."

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Another good idea is to have your vision checked at least once a year. The body relies heavily on the visual system to maintain balance and poor vision can increase your chances of falling. Finally, take steps to make your home safer. Remove clutter from stairs and places where you walk; pick up small throw rugs; put non-slip mats and grab bars in the bathroom; have handrails on all staircases; make sure there is adequate lighting. Do what you can to prevent falls—you will be doing yourself or your loved one a huge favor.

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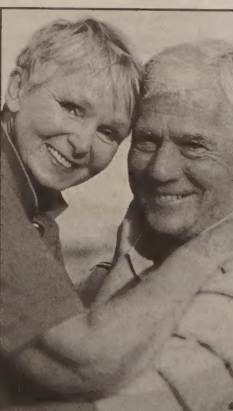
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## Jerrell

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ing and laughing as teenagers do. "Some people saw him walking down the street with the other boys."

"He was just talking and giggling. He even said he spoke to some residents on the block," Jones said.

Then the group followed an alley leading to a lot behind the store, a spot where locals had complained of late about loiterers and drug-dealing. Neighbors heard several shots moments later, and saw boys scatter out of the alley.

Police found Moore dead behind the building. Detective Nicole Abetkov said few have since come forward with information about why Moore died, or who most of the other boys were.

"The motive and everything else is up in the air. It could be mistaken identity, or it could be that someone thought (Moore) had done something (provocative)," Abetkov said. "That is what's frustrating about this case."

The Carole Sund/Carrington Memorial Reward Foundation offered a \$5,000 reward for Moore's killer in July, in part because of his good character.

Moore had transferred from El Cerrito High School to Delta, a small school on the De Anza High School campus. Though just 16, he had nearly completed

"The motive and everything else is up in the air."

— Detective Nicole Abetkov

## REWARD

Police ask anyone with information about the Jan. 30 killing of Jerrell Moore to call Detective Nicole Abetkov at 510-412-2081 or the anonymous tip line at 510-232-TIPS (2328477). The Carole Sund/Carrington Memorial Reward Foundation offers a \$5,000 reward for information leading to a conviction.

his high school requirement and also recently earned an aviation permit.

Active in sports, church and his family, Moore seemed particularly unlikely to die in a street shooting. His death still baffles his mother, who has heard no explanation either from police or through the neighborhood grapevine.

Marchers will gather at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Peter CME church, 5324 Cypress Ave., El Cerrito. The three-mile walk begins at 11 a.m., and will move through several south Richmond neighborhoods. For more information, call the church at 510-233-5559.

Reach Karl Fischer at 510-262-2728 or kfischer@cttimes.com.

## Overcrowding

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at the current YMCA location, another across from the middle school, and one at MacGregor Continuation High School's new campus. Proposals have yet to be drawn up. In the meantime, students are feeling the impact.

"I'm dyslexic, and I like smaller classrooms, so lately it hasn't worked too well for me," said Jenkins, whose frustration goes beyond stair aerobics. "It's hard for a teacher to give you individual help. If there were smaller classes, a lot more kids would grow and take in information than they do now. The kids in the back just don't listen."

Teachers complain about shared classrooms and lengthy Xerox machine lines in a school that holds more students than can comfortably fit down its two stairways, said Albany High Principal Ron Rosenbaum.

"If I had my way, there would be a few more classrooms," he said. "But we are not teeming like a New York City school. It is not blackboard jungle."

The school does not violate fire department regulations, said Albany Fire Department Captain Jay Jorgensen. Rosenbaum says classes average 27 to 30 students, with only a few exceeding state and federally mandated levels.

"It's been bad before but it must be worse now," said Gloria Sims, who has been teaching English for the past 20 years. "When

I came here, there were 600 students. We were in another building, but we never thought we would break 1,000," she said, glancing at the blackboard filled with the lessons of another teacher who also occupies the room.

No definitive plans have been made to address the growing population because officials believe enrollment will taper off. Rosenbaum cited Albany's limited housing, and Blanchard said the district's decision to stop interdistrict transfers in the past two years will curb enrollment.

Still, overall enrollment in Albany's public schools has jumped by 21 percent in the past five years, compared with a 27 percent decrease in Oakland schools.

The elementary schools have seen a rise in students with the continuing renovation of University Village, a UC Berkeley student family housing complex nearby.

Ocean View Elementary School enrollment increased roughly 20 percent this year, said district Superintendent Willie Wong.

Between 2000 and 2006, Albany's population increased 1.4 percent to 16,680, according to the state Department of Finance's City and County Rankings.

While portable classrooms are a temporary solution in some overcrowded schools, specific space regulations make it difficult to set up portables at Albany High, said vice principal Kirsten Wollenweber.

Rosenbaum said one option could be rebuilding the stairs in the school's main building to create better traffic flow. Another option could be the reconstruction of the school's older building.

"That's my fantasy," he said. But it's "not anything the school board is looking at now."

Long-term problems may arise if families continue to settle in the area, especially with the potential growth of University Village, scheduled for completion in 2008. Yet parents who can afford it still move to this small town squeezed between Berkeley and El Cerrito.

This has some parents worried. "A lot of parents around here think Albany is a great school because it has great scores," said Andrew Austin, an Albany High School Parent Teacher Student Association president. "But the overcrowding is a real issue."

Space would be a luxury, admits Nancy Mongan, a new English Language Development

teacher who pines for the classroom. She calls the room she shares with the staff her office, saying classroom shift is a bit like physical chairs, with 68 teachers employed at the school.

"New teachers rotate classroom to classroom," said. A sense of continuity there. "I wrap up my class soon as possible so the teacher can get in."

The result is teachers difficult to locate. "The doesn't have access to as much. With four classrooms, where is the going to find you?" she said.

Rosenbaum said they "We have a great staff," said. "Even teachers who are in one general area, every teacher is in one three periods a day. If I had a million dollars I would build a building, but you make you've got work."

Despite the space issue, school is excellent.

According to the state's Demographic Performance Index, measures individual school demographic growth and performance. The high school went up 12 in the past year.

## Ballots

FROM PAGE 1

After absenteees have been rounded up, Contra Costa officials must count another 9,000 provisional ballots, while Alameda County has 15,000.

Provisionals are ballots in which the voter believes he or she is eligible but whose name does not appear on the voter rolls. The voter fills out the ballot and clerks confirm eligibility after the election.

What does all this mean?

It's time-consuming to examine and process thousands of ballots individually, especially when voters drop them off by the truckloads on Election Day. Clerks must open every envelope, check every signature, and scan every ballot themselves.

Contrast that with votes cast in the polling place, where the voter marks it, inserts it into an optical scanner and clerks download the results into the computer.

As a result, in races where a few dozen or a few hundred votes separate winners from the losers, it could take days or weeks to finalize results. In most of the close races in Contra Costa, Clerk-Recorder Steve Weir hoped to have answers by late this week.

"We're hoping to finish the absentee counts by Thursday or Friday, and we'll update our results," Weir said.

But in exceptionally tight races, outstanding provisional ballots could affect the outcome.

Clerks hope to finish counting these ballots next week or, at the latest, after the Thanksgiving holiday. Counties have until Dec. 5 to certify the election results.

It's unclear why so many absentee voters waited until Monday and Election Day to cast their ballots.

But this trend, say election officials, is here to stay. Vote-by-mail rolls have expanded steadily, either out of convenience or a growing distrust of voting equipment.

For the second election in a row, more people voted absentee than went to the polls in both Contra Costa and Alameda counties.

By the time all ballots have been counted, Weir estimates that turnout in Contra Costa will reach 63 percent, about average for the county. About 52 percent of the ballots were absentee while 48 percent were cast at the polls.

Alameda County reported a lower turnout rate of 55 percent, but it reported a similar split between absentee and voting at the polls.

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## Home

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Jacobson's creation has three levels with four decks. To accommodate his client's wish for a quick escape to the sea, the architect added a 50-foot deep-water boat dock.

Robert W. Knight devoted an entire chapter to the home in his 2003 book, "A House on the Water: Inspiration for Living at the Water's Edge." Knight points to Jacobson's use of "boxes for the land (and) a curve for the sea" to set this home apart.

The author points out that the architect anchored the main living space between two flanking boxes. "A wave-form gate serves as the only visual access to the home from the street."

Once beyond this gate, a glass door, and then a steel staircase to the second floor greet the visitor. Knight compares climbing this staircase "flooded from light from

above" to climbing up the bridge on a ship — an effect Jacobson certainly intended to convey.

Once on the second level one can enjoy "a great view of the harbor beyond."

Knight says that the "lift of the roof curve and the complementary curve of the balcony give this room — which encompasses the living room dining room and kitchen — a wonderful sense of expansiveness."

"This house succeeded in its goal of providing an intimate connection with the water and set the standard for the houses that followed," says Knight.

"New houses continue to sprout up along this narrow spit of land, but this one is still the best boast on the harbor."

This home is part of Brickyard Cove, which Knight describes as a thriving waterfront community, which was formerly an industrial waterfront site.

The site was home to the Richmond Pressed Brick Company seen in the historic photo below.



**ON THE WATER, IN STYLE:** It's hard to concentrate on your work with this beautiful view of Brickyard Cove as a distraction, right? The kitchen serves as an integral part of the home's second floor, left.



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RICHMOND MUSEUM OF HISTORY

**WHAT'S IN A NAME?:** In the early part of the 20th century Richmond's isolation lent itself well to industrial plants like the Richmond Pressed Brick Company shown here in this 1915 photo. By the end of the century, residential areas began to replace industrial ones. This change led to the creation of places like Brickyard Cove. A smokestack and part of the kilns still remain to remind residents of the neighborhood's industrial past.

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**Diversify.** Regardless of the individual investments you choose, one of the biggest keys to a successful portfolio is to make sure it is properly diversified. This time-tested strategy for portfolio management helps you balance risk while working toward your investment objectives.

Because it is nearly impossible to know for sure which investments will do well in the future, diversifying your portfolio across different asset classes allows you to make up for any underperformers with hopefully a selection of investments that are keeping pace with — or even outperforming — the market. Of course, diversification does not guarantee a profit, or protect against loss in a declining market.

**Control and reduce debt.** If you want to make progress toward your financial goals, you have to have your whole house in order, so to speak. If you are carrying a heavy load of debt, especially high-interest credit card debt, you will not be able to make any real progress if you are constantly trying to dig yourself out of a hole.

**Compare what you spend with what you need.** Quite possibly one of the most basic investing strategies, this simple step can help you to see exactly where you may be having trouble, and also identify ar-

reas where you could make additional progress. One very interesting analysis you can perform on your own is to add up how much you spend on little luxury items, and see if you can save even more than what you currently put away.

For example, a \$3.50 latte twice a week adds up to more than \$360 a year. While that may not seem like much, think about how many other similar expenses you could change over to savings instead, and you will see they can add up quickly. Charting your actual expenditures can give you a clearer picture of what you need to be doing.

**Monitor your savings progress.** Rather than just putting a plan in place and letting it go on autopilot, it is not a good idea to make time to regularly review your progress.

An annual assessment at year-end, when you should be doing your tax planning, or at tax-filing time, when you have all your financial documents handy, would give you the perfect opportunity to see where you stand with your savings. Take a close look to see if your original investment strategy is still on track, and if not, figure out what you can do to put things back in order.

**Expect the unexpected.** As is typically the case with many aspects of our lives, things do not always work out the way we planned. But you can still plan ahead to help prepare for the unexpected.

If you have not already done so, you should make sure to set up an emergency fund to cover any unexpected cash needs.

You can build a "rainy day" nest egg by stashing away a little bit from each paycheck, or even by collecting your pocket change each month. Having cash reserves on

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hand will help you avoid using expensive credit during emergencies.

These are some basic ideas to help keep your savings strategies on track. Remember to stick to the fundamentals when it comes to your investments, no matter how advanced you may think you have become.

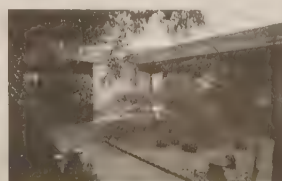
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## Risk management: A little understood concept

California has over 500,000 real estate licensees and countless thousands of attorneys ready to sue them. In real estate, risk management means companies and agents avoiding legal difficulties, especially lawsuits. What is most important to you as a buyer or seller, however, is preventing problems resulting from your agent's lack of knowledge or inattention to details.

See my previous articles, "Poor Representation: Big Problem in Real Estate" and "Your Agent Can Get You In Trouble," on my Web site: [www.eastbayrealtypro.com](http://www.eastbayrealtypro.com).

### Purchase contracts

Today, more than one year after the real estate market "correction," an astonishingly large number of agents in our area are still writing purchase contracts that were risky for their buyers, even in the heat of a seller's market. Contingency-free contracts now make considerably less sense. Specifically, it is the failure to include appropriate contingencies in the contract that can put you in a vulnerable position.

Contingencies are conditions that must be fulfilled in order for the contract to continue. They are meant to protect you as a buyer or seller. Inspections and financing are the most common ones. During the height of our eight-plus year seller's market, salespeople commonly wrote offers without one or both of these contingencies, often not fully explaining their implications.

This is a practice I have never followed because the potential jeopardy to both buyers and sellers is unacceptable. A contract without an inspection contingency is fraught with danger for the buyer; he may not know of serious defects until after he owns the home. The lack of a loan contingency places the purchaser in the position of possibly losing a large deposit and potentially being liable for significant damages if the financing does not go through as envisioned.

Given the infrequency of multiple offers in today's market, there is little reason for agents to eliminate either or both of these crucial contingencies. As about two-thirds of our local Realtors entered the business since 1997, when our seller's market began, it can be surmised

that many are acting out of rote and do not recognize the implications of their actions. See "Unwritten Contingencies" on my Web site.

Real estate people who have not been through a "normal" market, as we are experiencing now, may be unaware of how to handle a purchase contingent on the sale of the buyer's home. This type of offer, which was not welcomed by sellers in the recent past, will become more common now.

A contingent sale often involves complex considerations for both the buyer and seller. Make sure your agent knows how to protect you by including suitable clauses in the contract.

### Failing to disclose

As an expert witness in residential real estate matters, I see the aftermath of loose practices by licensees. Although buyers generally sue sellers, I recently testified in a Superior Court action where the sellers were suing the buyers' agent.

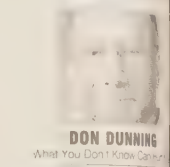
Cases involving failure to disclose usually involve problems with or related to the property that were discovered after close of escrow. Often, this entails the absence of, or inadequate, inspections.

Sellers, and their agent, have a legal duty to disclose all known defects that could influence either a buyer's decision to buy or how much to pay.

The California Association of Realtors has numerous disclosure forms meant to assist sellers in listing deficiencies and detailing problems with their property. Not all agents, nonetheless, understand and take the time to explain to their sellers the importance of full disclosure. See "Disclosure Duties Continue Developing" on my Web site.

Issues commonly arise in the following categories: water, moisture, drainage, sewer line; foundation integrity; roof condition and/or leaks; rooms incorrectly called or used as sleeping rooms (bedrooms); neighborhood disturbances; work done without permit and/or not to code; type of flooring under carpeting and its condition; property lines, easements, encroachments.

Realtors who are attuned to risk management assess relevant vari-

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ables when they visit a home, whether they are representing a buyer or seller. As an expert, I see and smell moisture in a house, I recommend it be investigated. This could be related to drainage, foundation, mold or a problem that may have health or structural implications.

### Working out of area expertise

The Internet has made it easier for agents to expand their territory. Unfortunately, the search for a commission or salespeople sometimes takes them in areas with which they are unfamiliar. This can be dangerous both the agent and his or her client.

Out-of-area Realtors tend to be familiar with local concerns as slide areas in the El Cerrito Oakland corridor. They may be knowledgeable about the area, but why one, or a few, of one, is preferable to another, pricing can be a minefield. The mega-area agent, though, outside will probably not be of specific problems, such as "blue water" debate some ago in Contra Costa County.

With thousands to choose from, it makes little sense to work someone who is not a local Realtor. Even if it is a relative or friend, at the very least, him or her partner with someone who knows the area.

### Put it in writing

Many disputes become contentious because the agents clarify all the key aspects of the transaction in writing. The

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**Help Kids**  
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**Home Web**  
Consumers can find a wealth of information on the Internet. It's a logical first step in finding out just about everything to do with the home. Here's a site I've visited and thought you might like too. Safety is for the home as well as the workplace. Consumers can find links to many sights dealing with safety. Check out [www.safewithin.com](http://www.safewithin.com) for links. Personal safety devices and self-defense classes are available locally, on-line and on DVD. Learn security habits, awareness of surroundings and how to show confidence.

**Our Troops**  
Let's not forget our troops serving overseas. The Blue Star Moms will prepare packages in time for the Thanksgiving and Christmas. Items range from phone cards to protein bars. Coldwell Banker offices are collection centers for care package donations. Visit the Web site at [www.bluestarmoms.org](http://www.bluestarmoms.org).

**Handy Classes**  
The Building Education Center in Berkeley provides ongoing classes, lectures and events for the experienced and those new to remodeling and renovation. There are evening classes on weekdays and daytime classes on the weekends. For information on classes and costs call the center. Contact **Sydney** at 510-525-7610 or visit the Web site at [bldgeduct.org](http://bldgeduct.org).

**Free Classes**  
**First Home.** "How To Buy Your First Home" is held at Citibank in Alameda. Join Presenters Alice Tsai of RE/Max Accord and Joe Bohannon of CitiMortgage for the next session. Contact Tsai at [Alice@East-BayHouseHunters.com](mailto:Alice@East-BayHouseHunters.com) or call 866-407-0684.

**House Hunting** "Hidden Homes Under \$500,000" is presented by **Jonathan Fleming** of RE/Max Executive. Buyers can qualify for down payment and closing cost assistance programs. This free seminar is 9:30 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 25. Call the Hotline 888-681-7771 ext. 708. Reservations are a must.

**Cyber Chats.** Do you like to

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**Safety Tips**  
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## CARE AWARDS

The Berkeley Association of Realtors wants to recognize Realtor and Affiliate members who volunteer and give back to the commu-

nity. To this end the BAR Cares Award was created in 2004. Recipients are recognized as role models who donate their time and talents to improve the community. Association members who are making a difference can be nominated by contacting the BAR office. Presentations will be made at the annual inaugural next month. Fax nominations to 510-848-2439. Mail your nomination to BAR at 1553 Martin Luther King Way, Berkeley, CA 94709.

## INAUGURALS

Mark your calendars for upcoming area real estate association inaugurals. The Alameda As-

sociation of Realtors annual installation luncheon is Friday, Dec. 1. Make reservations by calling 510-523-7229. Thursday, Dec. 7 is the date of the Oakland Association of Realtors Annual Inaugural. For ticket information e-mail to [rsvp@oar.org](mailto:rsvp@oar.org). Watch this column for more details.

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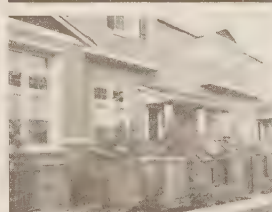
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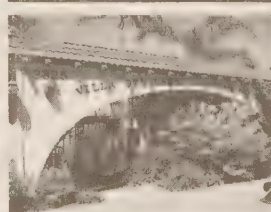
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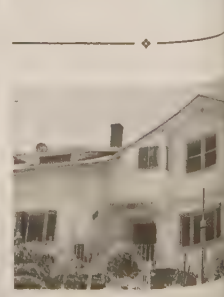
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Built in 2003, this gorgeous 5 bedroom,  
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## OAKLAND

8825 HIGH STREET \$400,000  
Villa Del Lago Open Saturday 1-4  
Upper 2 bedroom, 2 bath end unit w/views  
of surrounding hills & meandering lagoons.  
Rich Lal 510-748-118811032 NOVELDA DRIVE \$478,000  
Sobran Park Open Sunday 1-4  
WOW! Remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 bath home  
w/additional den/office. Wood-burning FP  
& park-like yards, long driveway, carport.  
Rich Lal 510-748-11883718 COLUMBIAN DRIVE \$525,000  
King Estates Open Sunday 1-4  
Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath w/hardwood  
floors, arched doorways, spacious & light.  
Deck, long driveway, detached garage.  
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2849 KITCHENER \$1,280,000  
Upper Fruitvale Open Sunday  
Architect Paul Wang's latest offering - 3 bedrooms,  
3 bath home w/expansive Bay & mountain views.  
wonderfully secluded yet convenient location.  
Jim Nations 510-301-44443507 LAUREL AVENUE \$470,000  
Lower Laurel Open Sunday  
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floors, remodeled kitchen & more.  
Sonia Lastreto 510-748-11881075 E 33rd STREET \$770,000  
Bella Vista Hill Open Sunday  
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## Opening Views

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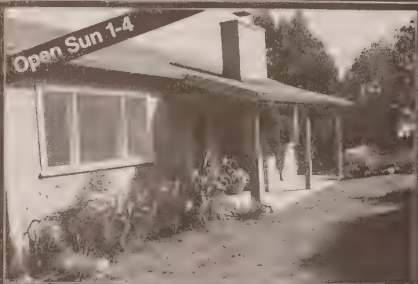


2256 Melville Drive, Oakland Hills  
Beautiful updated English traditional with 4 BD & 2.5 BA on approx 1/4 acre lot with entry porch level and to living and dining San Francisco Bay views

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118 Wilford Dr., Orinda  
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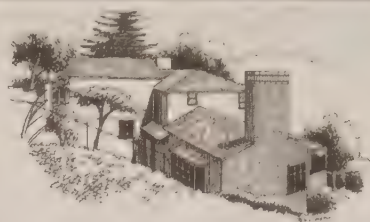
Near Wildwood Grammar School  
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The main level welcomes you with a slate entry and cozy living room/dining room "L" featuring a brick, wood-burning fireplace. The eat-in kitchen offers granite countertops, tile floors and a corner pantry.

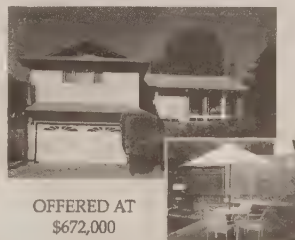
The upper level consists of the master bedroom, two secondary bedrooms and a partially upgraded main hall bath.

This home's spacious lower level den features a Swedish fireplace with sliding french doors leading to the rear yard, adorned with fruit trees, built-in bench seating, a freshly sodded lawn, and upper and lower decks; this home's backyard is the perfect get-away.

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848 61st St - \$667,500  
1844 66th Av - \$453,000  
590 66th St - \$640,000  
2740 78th Av - \$399,000  
1214 80th Av - \$430,000  
1290 82nd Av - \$440,000  
2006 85th Av - \$400,000  
1253 88th Av - \$365,000  
1217 92nd Av - \$200,000  
2500 98th Av - \$580,000  
585 9th St 322 - \$425,000  
585 9th St 611 - \$396,500  
11116 Acalanes - \$460,000  
6108 Adeline St - \$635,000  
4383 Albert St - \$505,000  
428 Alice St 422 - \$558,000  
1040 Amito Dr - \$1,425,000  
823 Appar St - \$430,000  
2326 Ausean Av - \$300,000  
4117 Balfour Av - \$775,000  
565 Bellevue Av 2106 - \$657,000  
4301 Bridgeview Dr - \$930,000  
2300 Broadway 11 - \$469,000  
2300 Broadway 8 - \$399,000  
260 Caldecott Ln 209 - \$475,000  
10922 Cameron Av - \$870,000  
630 Canyon Oaks B - \$469,000  
6672 Charing Cross - \$755,000  
1925 Chestnut St - \$625,000  
1836 Clemens Rd - \$839,000  
117 Colgett Dr - \$875,000  
5133 Coronado Av - \$880,000  
4962 Desmond St - \$790,000  
4639 Fairfax Av - \$518,000  
77 Fairmount 220 - \$412,500  
2021 Filbert St - \$430,000  
4010 Fullington St - \$360,000  
4874 Geranium Pl - \$777,000  
9434 Granada Av - \$535,000  
7506 Greenly Dr - \$539,500  
322 Hanover Av 107 - \$384,000  
5955 Hayes St - \$499,000  
3825 High St 103 - \$359,000  
7432 Holly St - \$430,000  
1020 Jackson 405 - \$575,000  
543 La Prenda Dr - \$425,000  
3604 Laguna Av - \$723,000  
3796 Lakeshore - \$900,000  
320 Lee St - \$345,000  
353 Lester Av - \$630,000  
5455 MacArthur Bl - \$550,000  
3277 Madeline St - \$705,000  
1992 Magellan Dr - \$775,000  
3702 Maple Av - \$779,000  
4535 MLK Jr Wy - \$510,000  
4119 Mera St - \$584,000  
1673 Miami Ct - \$530,000  
4159 Midvale Av - \$660,000  
3027 Millsbrae Av - \$480,000  
7630 Ney Av - \$430,000  
3148 Nicol Av - \$700,000  
311 Oak St 820 - \$392,000  
6400 Oakwood Dr - \$900,000  
6017 Old Quarry - \$655,000  
330 Park View 410 - \$483,000  
10473 Patricia Ct - \$403,000  
6301 Pinehaven Rd - \$605,000  
3567 Redwood Rd - \$689,000  
4216 Reinhardt Dr - \$865,000  
3907 San Juan St - \$550,000  
195 Santa Clara 10 - \$459,000  
2370 Scout Rd - \$350,000  
4123 Shafter Av - \$710,000  
3106 Sheffield Av - \$521,000  
6908 Thornhill Dr - \$744,000  
2875 Vallecito Pl - \$525,000  
4930 Webster St - \$650,000  
7501 Weld St - \$210,000  
3 W Em'adero 234 - \$240,000  
8072 Winthrop St - \$510,000  
1012 Wood St - \$600,000

## FIEDMONT

4450 Moraga - \$675,000  
327 San Carlos - \$1,174,500

## RICHMOND

645 16th St - \$550,000  
1604 1st St - \$380,000  
676 2nd St - \$572,000  
976 32nd St - \$485,000  
627 43rd St - \$442,500  
1731 4th St - \$485,000  
552 8th St - \$435,000  
608 8th St - \$381,000  
505 Banks Dr - \$330,000  
1201 Brickyard 215 - \$440,000  
2931 Chavez Ln - \$405,000  
6626 Claremont Av - \$550,000  
2329 Clinton Av - \$427,000  
5312 Clinton Av - \$556,000  
5013 Escalon Cr - \$694,000  
1839 Esmond Av - \$360,000  
4517 Fall Av - \$420,000  
2911 Hoffman Bl - \$420,000  
2931 Hoffman Bl - \$405,000  
2951 Hoffman Bl - \$399,000  
6442 Kensington Av - \$464,000  
1734 Lincoln Av - \$435,000  
120 Marina Lakes Dr - \$489,000  
139 Marina Lakes Dr - \$305,000  
3438 May Rd - \$560,000  
3792 Northridge Dr - \$420,000  
130 Park Ln - \$369,000  
1400 Pinnacle Ct 215 - \$560,000  
1301 Quarry Ct 404 - \$850,000  
5759 Ravine Wy - \$705,000  
3450 Ridgewood Wy - \$750,000  
12632 San Pablo Av - \$685,000  
101 Seapoint Ct - \$898,000  
160 Shoreline Ct 159 - \$338,500  
547 South 17th St - \$376,000  
516 South 24th St - \$420,000  
528 South 29th St - \$575,000  
719 South 45th St - \$500,000  
1225 South 57th St - \$497,000  
1540 Summer Ln - \$529,000  
830 Summer Ln - \$481,500  
840 Summer Ln - \$495,000  
3311 Wall Av - \$455,000  
611 Western Dr - \$761,000

## SAN LEANDRO

1502 136th Av - \$365,000  
205 Accolade Dr - \$635,000  
1763 Arena St - \$549,000  
13517 Aurora Dr - \$510,000  
1326 Belding St - \$575,000  
14318 Birch St - \$530,000  
317 Bowling Green - \$543,000

1145 Camellia Ct - \$550,000  
726 Cary Dr - \$785,000  
298 Cherrywood Av - \$567,500  
14011 Corvallis St - \$558,000  
16845 El Balcon Av - \$520,000  
14474 Elm St - \$565,000  
1527 Gardner Bl - \$510,000  
14864 Midland Rd - \$490,000  
131 Oakes Bl - \$577,000  
2201 Oceanside Wy - \$749,000  
13895 Sausalito Rd - \$630,000  
512 Tiffany Rd - \$530,000

## By the numbers

### ALAMEDA

TOTAL SALES: 19  
LOWEST PRICE: \$312,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,153,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 682,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$703,105

### ALBANY

TOTAL SALES: 5  
LOWEST PRICE: \$616,500  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$705,000

MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 639,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$646,800

### BERKELEY

TOTAL SALES: 17  
LOWEST PRICE: \$442,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,120,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 687,500  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$735,824

### EL CERRITO

TOTAL SALES: 3

LOWEST PRICE: \$540,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$808,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 670,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$672,667

### EL SOBRANTE

TOTAL SALES: 7  
LOWEST PRICE: \$470,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,125,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 580,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$631,857

### EMERYVILLE


TOTAL SALES: 4

LOWEST PRICE: \$500,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$900,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 690,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$700,000

### OAKLAND

TOTAL SALES: 94  
LOWEST PRICE: \$200,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,400,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 520,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$550,000

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## 1154 Cragmont Ave., Berkeley

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New listing! Handsome A-frame remodeled w/Asian sensibilities. Utterly private, serene. Filtered Bay views. Appealing remodel features 3 bedrooms, 2 lovely baths. Soaring living room ceiling, dining alcove. 2 fireplaces. Glass enclosed hot tub. Spacious decks. Very special!  
**Barbara Conheim x28** **\$830,000**

## 1416 Devonshire, El Cerrito

**Open Sunday, 2:00 - 4:00**  
**PRICE REDUCED!** Traditional floor plan with a large family room; this large 7-year-old home has wonderful spaces for entertaining, excellent indoor/outdoor, 2-car garage, and beautiful Bay views. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, close to excellent Madera School, public transportation, park, and golf course.  
**Maya Trilling x18** **\$1,045,000**



## 2729 Grant Ave., Richmond N & E

**By Appointment**  
**PRICE REDUCED!** Gorgeous split-lvl 3-bdrm, 1.5 bath Tudor tastefully updated while retaining old-world charm. The neighborhood has maintained its appeal for decades. The house has a large, fenced bkyd, an artist studio, a storage shed, lovely landscaping, a 2-car garage, hwd flrs, tiled kit. & baths, lots of windows and light, & a beautiful wood-burning flpl. This home is truly in move-in condition.  
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LOWEST PRICE: \$675,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,174,500  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$924,750

**SAN LEANDRO**  
TOTAL SALES: 44  
LOWEST PRICE: \$305,000

HIGHEST PRICE: \$898,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$481,500  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$501,239

**SAN LEANDRO**

TOTAL SALES: 19  
LOWEST PRICE: \$365,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$785,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$ 550,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$565,184

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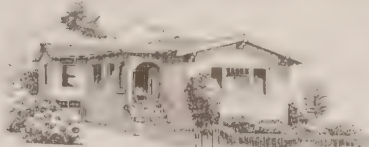
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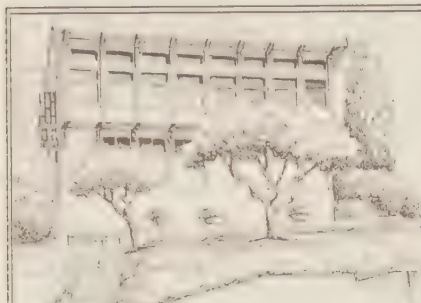
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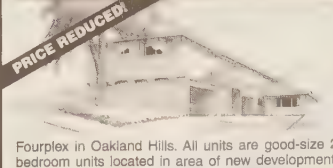
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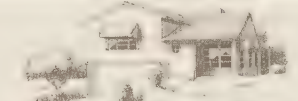
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*Maxwell Park.* Spacious 3BR/2BA with bay  
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*Richmond.* Charming 3BR/1.5BA bungalow  
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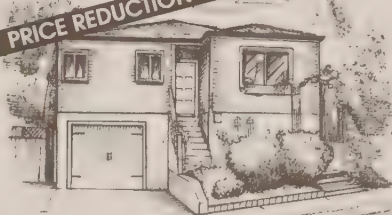


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Asking \$1,550,000

Large and dramatic custom home in Oakland Hills. Walk to Joaquin Miller Park, Oakland Skyline Club and minutes to freeway. Built in 2003, this home has 4 BD and 4.5 BA, a media and game room, 2 family rooms. The main level has formal living and dining rooms with dramatic high ceiling, spacious family room, one master bedroom and a great gourmet kitchen. The spacious grand master bedroom upstairs has a private balcony, luxurious bathroom and exquisite views. The house has quality workmanship and beautiful details. Approximately 4,350 living square footage on a 8,568 sq. ft. lot.



Call Wendy T. Louie  
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2539 Carmel St., Lincoln Heights  
\$639,000

2+BD/2BA This delightful home is amazingly comfortable for today's busy family, with a fireplace, formal dining room, an updated bathroom, eat-in kitchen, master bed and bath, cozy backyard, garage, and abundant storage including a basement. Near parks, and Farmer Joe's on a great tree-lined street.



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Lower Elmwood Duplex  
2234 Russell Street, Berkeley  
Offered at \$629,000

Lots of folks get into their first (or second, or third...) house by buying a duplex and letting a tenant help pay the mortgage. Great idea! This sweet little duplex has a vacant owners unit and brings in \$1,200/month from the other. Each unit has 1 bedroom, one bath, hardwood floors and a space in the garage. Close to BART and Whole Foods. Sharpen the pencil and come on by.

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Mark Hardwicke  
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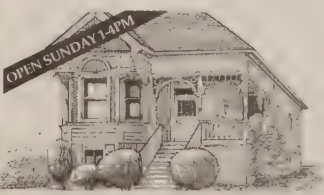


Berkeley Live/Work Loft  
2709 10th Street #D  
\$629,000

Stylish THREE Story 2BD/1.5BA. Stunning design with quality finishes are offered in this hip live/work space, built in 2004. Modern, sleek, clean, secure, quiet building w/private deck and urban views are offered in this 5-unit complex. Perfect for the professional or your own business w/easy access to transportation & shopping. View a photo tour at [www.anitaabecker.com](http://www.anitaabecker.com)



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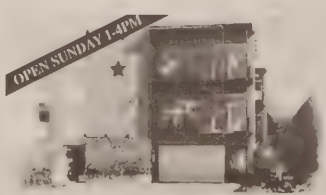
Oakland/Emeryville Border Victorian  
1058 54th St., Oakland  
Offered at \$425,000

Built in 1885, this conveniently located 2 bedroom, 1 bath Victorian has beautiful original details. Sunny rooms, tall ceilings and wood floors, some recently refinished, add to the charm. Lower level has potential, new foundation in 1989. Off-street parking for 2 cars. Close to Powell Street shopping, Pixar, Amtrak, express bus to San Francisco. Needs TLC.

[www.KathyClose.com](http://www.KathyClose.com)



Kathy Close  
510-913-8128



The Astro! Four Modern Ties  
With Seller Financing  
2327 10th Street, Berkeley  
Offered at \$349,000 to \$369,000

West Berkeley is on the rise, and this building is one of the stars! Each unit has 2 BD, 1BA an its own parking. Kitchens are upgraded with granite and stainless, and there are hardwood floors throughout. Walk to several excellent cafes and other retail services in this commute-friendly neighborhood.

[www.BerkeleyHomesRealty.com](http://www.BerkeleyHomesRealty.com)



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## UPPER ROCKRIDGE

Sunny 3 bedroom, 2 bath traditional. Updated eat-in kitchen, formal dining room, lovely living room, front & back yards, choice location, delightful.



OFFERED AT  
\$949,000



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## OPEN HOUSE

OPEN SAT &amp; SUN 1 - 5 PM

COLDWELL  
BANKER

## 4625 DOLORES AVENUE

Fabulous 1912 Mission Style Home! This is an absolute beautiful, very spacious 4 BR 2.5 BA home. Redwood wainscoting, leaded glass built-ins, stenciled walls, gas fireplace & a gourmet kitchen any chef would love are just a few of the treasures this house holds. The yard is a masterpiece with private hot tub. The neighborhood is coveted Glenview close to shops, restaurants & cafes. Near Montclair. Close to both Hwy 13 & 580 and commuter carpooling. This house is not to be missed!



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\$899,000



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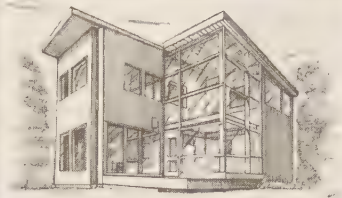
## NEW PRICE

OPEN SUNDAY 2 - 4:30 PM

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## 12 HILL ROAD

Exceptional 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom contemporary in Berkeley Hills designed by renowned architects Marcy Wong and Donn Logan. This steel beam & glass constructed home sits on a beautifully landscaped lot with Bay views.



www.12HillRoad.com

OFFERED AT  
\$995,000



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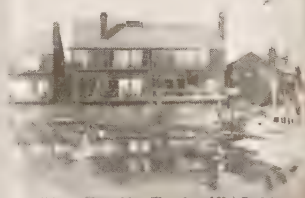
## OPEN HOUSE

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## 506 TIDEWAY DR., ALAMEDA

Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath town home with 50ft. deep-water boat dock located in Alameda's desirable Ballena Bay community. Elegant entertaining spaces overlook beautiful water views. Photo tour @ bonnierosshomes.com



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\$1,500,000



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## OPEN HOMES



**CLAREMONT PINES** \$3,700,000  
2 LINCOLNSHIRE SUN 2 - 4:30  
5+ BR 4+ BA Magnificent Georgian Colonial with superb detailing, indoor-outdoor living, SF views.  
DIAN HYMER 510.339.4700

**UPPER ROCKRIDGE** \$1,545,000  
5234 COCHRANE SUN 2 - 4:30  
4+ BR 2+ BA New const. merging lines & simplicity creating a masterpiece of modern architect. Hill views.  
NONI & GARY ROBINSON 510.339.4700



**ALAMEDA/BALLENA BAY** \$1,500,000  
506 TIDEWAY DR. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3+ BR 2.5 BA Townhouse w/50ft. deep-water boat dock located in Alameda's desirable Ballena Bay community.  
BONNIE ROSS 510.339.4700

**MONTCLAIR** \$1,495,000  
6250 FAIRLANE DR. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3 BR 3 BA Sweeping views & elegant architecture! Custom kitchen w/stone counters, fam rm + 3 fpls.  
KAREN LUM 510.339.4700

**MONTCLAIR** \$1,339,000  
6133 FAIRLANE DR. SAT/SUN 2 - 4  
4+ BR 3.5 BA 1993 Traditional, family room off kitchen, library, plus rooms, easy indoor-outdoor living.  
JOAN DUFFIELD 510.339.4700

**MONTCLAIR** \$1,225,000  
6375 LONGCROFT DR. SUN 2 - 4:30  
4 BR 4.5 BA New construction. Gourmet kitchen w/granite, SS appliances. Lavish Master. Billiard Room.  
DAVID ECKERT 510.339.4700



**MONTCLAIR** \$1,200,000  
6555 SHEPHERD CYN. SUN 1:30 - 4  
4+ BR 3.5 BA New PRICE! Maple flrs, spacious kitchen & great rm. Large level yard, Master ste, 2 fpls.  
JULIE JOYCE 510.339.4700

**BERKELEY** \$1,150,000  
26 NORTHGATE SUN 2 - 4  
5 BR 4 BA Contemporary w/great views. Open flrpln, remod. kit, decks, hwd flrs.  
www.26Northgate.com  
MARILYN GARCIA 510.486.1495

**PT. RICHMOND** \$1,149,000  
214 SEAVIEW DR. SUN 2 - 4  
4 BR 2.5 BA 1yr. old home in Seaciff development. Spectacular Bayview, upgrades, details.  
NANCY COPELAND 510.486.1495

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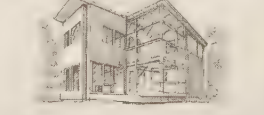


**BERKELEY** \$1,100,000  
1401 SCENIC AVE. SUN 1 - 4  
4+ BR 3.5 BA Wonderful Bay Views! Beautiful, Very Spacious Home, Possible In-Law. In Desirable N. Berk.  
BARBARA LEVY 510.486.1495

**UPPER ROCKRIDGE** \$1,100,000  
6245 BROOKSIDE AVE. SUN 2 - 4:30  
4+ BR 3 BA Open plan, Family room w/French doors to great rear yard. Windows galore. Master retreat.  
MICHELLE FERGUSON 510.583.5430

**MONTCLAIR** \$1,099,000  
6841 EXTER DR. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3 BR 2.5 BA Brand home just the right size w/ desirable modern amenities. Architect Guita Boostani.  
CLAUDIA BOWMAN 510.339.4700

**MONTCLAIR** \$1,045,000  
6995 ELVERTON SUN 2 - 4:30  
4 BR 3 BA Open flrpln, soaring ceilings, Fr drs to decks, kitchen/FamRm, hwd, Bay vus, luxury MBR.  
PETER NICOLPOULOS 510.339.4700



**BERKELEY HILLS** \$995,000  
12 HILL RD. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3 BR 2 BA NEW PRICE! Exceptional contemporary on near level lot w/bay views.  
Steps from Tilden Park.  
BARBARA HARDACRE 510.339.4700

**UPPER ROCKRIDGE** \$950,000  
5668 BUENA VISTA AVE. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3+ BR 2.5 BA Beautiful gourmet kitchen. Plantation shutters, Golden Gate view & Italian tile floors.  
TERRY KULKA 510.339.4700

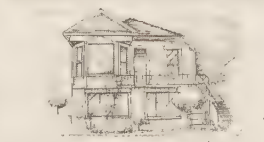
**HAYWARD/TWIN BRIDGES** \$929,000  
304 ARROWHEAD WY. SUN 1:30 - 4  
5 BR 3 BA Built in 1999. 3 car Garage. Open Kitchen/Family Room. www.304Arrowhead.com  
JULIE JOYCE 510.339.4700



**BERKELEY** \$925,000  
1206 OXFORD ST. SUN 1:30 - 4  
3 BR 2 BA Golden Gate view. Easy access to Gourmet Ghetto, Solaño Lush gardens.  
RITA ZWERDLING 510.486.1495

**GLLENVIEW** \$899,000  
4625 DOLORES AVE. SAT/SUN 1 - 5  
4 BR 2.5 BA A Beautiful Spacious Mission Style-Many Orig. Wincing, built-ins. Grmt kit. Magical gdrn/hub.  
ROSE NIED 510.339.4700

## OPEN HOMES



**BERKELEY** \$879,000  
2181 MCKINLEY AVE SAT 12 - 3 SUN 1:30 - 4:30  
5 BR 4 BA Remodeled Victorian home + income. Large lot & gardens. Central Berkeley Arts District.  
CATHERINE VARNAU & ROUHI AKBARI 510.486.1495

**HADDON HILL** \$875,000  
566 RADNOR RD. SUN 2 - 4:30  
4 BR 3 BA Gorgeous w/spacious rms. Formal Dining Rm, HWF, & French doors to deck, hot tub & View.  
MARLENA S. LYONS 510.339.4700

**ROCKRIDGE** \$859,000  
6141 ROCKRIDGE BLVD. SUN 2 - 4:30  
4 BR 2 BA NEW PRICE! Upgraded kit & baths. Hwd flrs, formal dining, level yd.  
www.6141Rockridge.com  
CJ BOYDSTON 510.339.4700



**GLENVIEW** \$859,000  
3837 PARK BLVD. SUN 1 - 4  
3 BR 2.5 BA NEW PRICE! Take another look. Chic Urban Oasis. All redone. Zen style gdn. Gourmet kitchen.  
BECKY ANDERSEN 510.339.4700

**HAYWARD** \$829,000  
27462 GREENWOOD DR. SUN 1 - 4  
6 BR 3 BA Gorgeous newer home with vaulted ceiling, modern amenities, and upgrades. A great deal!  
NONI & GARY ROBINSON 510.339.4700

**MONTCLAIR** \$829,000  
6802 GUNN DR. SUN 2 - 4:30  
4 BR 3 BA Cool & Clean. Designed w/Style! Vaulted ceilings, big flpl, master ste, cool vistas. Wow!  
TERRY ANTHONY 510.339.4700

**TEMESCAL** \$795,000  
538 42ND ST. SUN 2 - 4:30  
4-plex Fixer. Priced to Sell! Ong details, fresh paint in/out. Well maintd. Near transp.  
ALICIA DRAKE 510.339.4700

**MONTCLAIR** \$779,000  
5573 MERREWOOD DR. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3 BR 2 BA Artistically updated kit & baths. Peaceful setting near Montclair  
www.5573Merriewood.com  
TERRY ANTHONY 510.339.4700

**RIDGEMONT** \$759,000  
13895 CAMPUS DR. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3 BR 2.5 BA Level-in Ridgemont contemporary home. Serene vistas on approx. third acre. 3 car garage.  
JERRY RATCH 510.486.1495

**RICHMOND/MARINA BAY** \$749,500  
5 HARBORVIEW DR. SUN 1:30 - 4  
3+ BR 3 BA Recent paint inside, Cathedral Ceilings, Fireplace, Tile entry, Loft, Bay Views, Must see.  
GREGG LUSTIG 510.486.1495

**REDWOOD HEIGHTS** \$749,000  
4401 DAVENPORT SUN 2 - 4:30  
3+ BR 2.5 BA Bay views from LR, hot tub, Family rm, 2 fpls, level yard & gardens. Over-sized master ste.  
CHRISTINE BANKER 510.339.4700

**MONTCLAIR** \$749,000  
6266 MERCED AVE. SUN 2 - 4:30  
4 BR 2.5 BA Convenient location in Montclair Village, hwd flrs, flml DR, flpl, au pair garage + yard storage.  
DARCY DIAMANTINE 510.339.4700

## OPEN HOMES

**RICHMOND COUNTRY CLUB** \$724,000  
3643 PARK RIDGE DR. SUN 1 - 4  
4 BR 2.5 BA Richmond Country Club Area! Light&bright, MBD suite, landscaped yrd  
3643ParkRidgeDrive.com  
GENE DELLA MAGGIORA 510.486.1495

**OAKLAND/PIEDMONT AVENUE** \$699,000  
3800 HARRISON ST. SUN 2 - 4  
3+ BR 1.5 BA Grand old home near Piedmont Ave. Over 2000 sqft, exlnt condition  
www.3800Harrison.com  
HOLLY ROSE 510.486.1495

**SAN LEANDRO/ ESTUILLLO ESTATES** \$699,000  
561 JOAQUIN AVE. SUN 2 - 4  
3 BR 2 BA Charming craftsman. LR w/frplc. Lg private yd w/play structure. Hwd flrs, conv garage.  
KARYN SELBY MILLER 510.339.4700

**BERKELEY** \$605,000  
1606 BLAKE ST. SUN 2 - 4  
3 BR 2 BA 1910 Berkeley home on three levels. Romantic attic master suite w/view of SF/GG Bridge.  
BOBBIE GIARRATANA 510.486.1495

**SAN LEANDRO/BROADMOOR** \$619,000  
963 HELEN AVE. SUN 2 - 4:30  
3 BR 2 BA NEW PRICE! Updated home w/great yard, garage, deck, lg gazebo for outdoor living & garden.  
PRESTON GRANT 510.339.4700

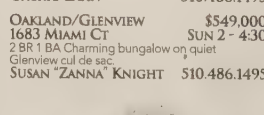
**LINCOLN HEIGHTS** \$599,000  
4164 LINCOLN AVE. SUN 2 - 5  
2+ BR 1+ BA Beautiful Mediterranean, Split-Level Design, New Kitchen, Bonus Rm, FP, Nice Yard & Garage.  
RACHEL BALLER 510.339.4700

**OAKLAND WEST/EMERYVILLE BORDER** \$595,000  
3221 MAGNOLIA ST. SUN 2 - 4:30  
2 BR 2 BA 2002 David Baker contemporary end unit. High end finishes, windows galore, fab rear garden.  
ELLEN LANCASTER & KELLEY NAYO-CLIFFE 510.339.4700

**BERKELEY** \$579,000  
1805 CHANNING WAY SUN 2 - 4:30  
3 BR 2 BA 1920 bungalow w/wd flrs, vintage kitchen w/DR, lovely fenced yard, near UC, shops, transp.  
CAROL GAMBLE 510.486.1495

**BERKELEY** \$549,000  
2490 WEST ST. SUN 2 - 5  
3+ BR 2 BA "McGregor like" home w/ charm, archt details; approx. 6,000 sqft lot. hwd flr & fresh paint.  
CHERYL CAHN 510.486.1495

**OAKLAND/GLENVIEW** \$549,000  
1683 MIAMI CT. SUN 2 - 4:30  
2 BR 1 BA Charming bungalow on quiet Glenview cul de sac.  
SUSAN ZANNA KNIGHT 510.486.1495



**BERKELEY** \$529,000  
1342 RUSSELL ST. SAT/SUN 2 - 4  
3 BR 1 BA Charming, representative & spacious Craftsman on cul-de-sac w/ fireplace & lots of storage.  
STINA CHARLES-HARRIS 510.486.1495

## OPEN HOMES

**FRUITVALE** \$525,000  
3631 LYON AVE. SUN 2 - 4:30  
2 BR 1 BA Charming bungalow w/1+ bdrms. Hwd flrs, remodeled kitchen & bath. Lg rear patio.  
JOAN ALFORD 510.339.4700

**MAXWELL PARK** \$513,000  
3500 KINGSLAND AVE. SUN 1:30 - 4  
2 BR 1 BA Charming home in a good central location. Spacious living rm w/fireplace, formal dining room.  
Photos: TiffanyStechschulte.com  
LIAT BOSTICK 510.339.4700

**HAYWARD** \$510,000  
27659 PERSIMMON DR. SUN 2 - 4  
3+ BR 2.5 BA Townhome w/loft, vaulted ceilings, patio, FP & nice layout.  
TiffanyStechschulte.com  
TIFFANY STECHSCHULTE 510.339.4700

**LAUREL** \$500,000  
3000 CALIFORNIA ST. SUN 2 - 4  
3 BR 1 BA Wonderful Cal bungalow near w/ potential Grt hwd flrs under carpet. -g hwy. Must see!  
ALICIA DRAKE 510.339.4700

**LAUREL** \$449,000  
3107 BERLIN WAY. SUN 1 - 4  
2 BR 1 BA w/wonderful view. See website for more. Wonderful home located on hwy 88 near the street.  
JAMES BROWN 510.339.4700

**BY APPOINTMENT**  
OAKLAND/CLAREMONT HILLS \$1,099,000  
6899 BRISTOL DR. SAT/SUN 2 - 4  
4 BR 3 BA Spacious multi-level home has w/loft, 2-story LR, formal DR, master suite w/1+ bdrms, deck, terraced yard!  
CAROL GAMBLE 510.486.1495

**MONTCLAIR** \$675,000  
2 BR 2 BA Verdant views, secluded feel & large level patio area, knotty pine den. Addressed space for potential expansion.  
BONNIE ROSS 510.339.4700

**SEQUOYAH** \$669,000  
3 BR 2.5 BA Charm & character shine in this beautifully remod tudor, crown mold, sunrises, FP, updated kit, HWD. Level-in enter from garage.  
TIFFANY STECHSCHULTE 510.339.4700

**OAKLAND** \$349,000  
Priced to Sell!  
2+ BR 1 BA Cosmetic Fixer. Cozy bungalow w/ new fireplace, eat-in kitchen & new carpets. Don't miss this one!  
CJ BOYDSTON 510.339.4700

**OAKLAND** \$299,000 - \$309,000  
2226 83RD AVE Units 1-4  
2 BR 1 BA 4 unit approved condos. All new upgrades both inside and out! Heat, sunrises, windows, lighting, carpet, granite kit. Call to see!  
MAXINE MALBERG 510.486.1495

**LOTS**  
"Rare" Buildable lot with approved design plans. Bay views from building pad!! Call for details.  
GEORGE KARSANT 510.339.4700



# PACIFIC UNION

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**MONTCLAIR - PIEDMONT PINES**  
OPEN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1-4:30PM



**18 Cornwall Court, Oakland**  
Offered at \$979,000

Step through the front gate and be transformed! Located in desirable Piedmont Pines and at the end of a cul-de-sac, this sophisticated home features 4BR/3BA and lush verdant and canyon views. Living room has handcrafted fireplace that matches the front door, vaulted ceilings, tall windows, and wood floors. 3 bedrooms and 2 remodeled baths upstairs. There is a family room with fireplace plus a bedroom, bath and 2 extra rooms downstairs. There's a level yard space, too. Special attention to detail make this a very special place to call home!

**NEW PRICE**  
OPEN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2-4:30PM



**6206 Viewcrest Drive, Oakland**  
Offered at \$910,000

Meticulous 4BR/3BA including first floor bedroom and bath. Living room with fireplace. Vaulted ceilings and maple floors in living room and formal dining room. Sunny eat-in kitchen, spacious family room, master suite opens to deck overlooking the garden. Large level yard and garden - great outdoor living with a sense of privacy.

**NEW PIEDMONT AVENUE LISTING**  
OPEN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2-4:30PM



**185 John Street, Oakland**  
Offered at \$585,000

Charming turn-of-the-century cottage. Tall ceilings, rooms filled with light, bamboo floors, fresh paint. Newer furnace and foundation. Wedgewood stove. Sunny gardens front and back. Large storage shed. Two bedrooms, one bath. So close to Piedmont Avenue!

**NEW PRICE**  
OPEN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2-4:30PM



**1371 Holman Road, Oakland**  
Offered at \$569,000

Bright and cheerful 2BR/1BA Mediterranean in Crocker Highlands with 1920's architecture and many upgrades. Fabulous remodeled kitchen, lovely formal rooms, fireplace, oak floors, redone bath, garage, plus workshop, front and back gardens. View @ www.1371Holman.com

OPEN SUNDAY 2:00-4:30

 <b>MONTCLAIR</b> <b>7290 WOODROW DR.</b> Custom contemporary w/soaring ceilings, beautiful warm wood detailing, spacious rooms, large windows, tree views. 3BR/2.5BA, den. Near bike & pedestrian trail to Village. Teri Carlisle x1305 <b>\$899,000</b>	 <b>MONTCLAIR</b> <b>1145 GLENCOURT DR.</b> Stylish 3BR/2BA contemporary in popular Montclair! Open floor plan with light, airy spaces in a lush wooded setting. Hardwood floors, skylights & a fabulous hot tub. Christian Downer x1340 <b>\$725,000</b>	 <b>SAN LEANDRO</b> <b>1218 ALDER CREEK CIR.</b> (Open 1-4) Immaculate 3BR/2.5BA contemporary home built in 2002. Centrally located in the desirable Wood Creek neighborhood. Living room w/fireplace, upgraded kitchen. Michelle Miller x1335 <b>\$629,000</b>
 <b>OAKLAND HILLS</b> <b>5586 BACON RD.</b> Custom built traditional on 1+ acre. Gourmet kitchen w/family room. 4+BR/4BA, air-conditioning. Pool & expansive indoor-outdoor areas. Dick Cohen x1308 & Sandi Klemmer x1314 <b>\$1,500,000</b>	 <b>RIDGEMONT</b> <b>6230 VIEWCREST DR.</b> All level living. 3BR/2.5BA, formal dining room, eat-in kitchen, family room w/fireplace. Beautiful outdoor living w/a sense of privacy. 3 car garage, 2 year old roof. Rooyin Mohr x1310 <b>\$885,000</b>	 <b>BERKELEY</b> <b>2430 5TH ST. #B</b> Fabulous 3 story live/work condo with deck & patio. 2+BR/2+BA. Dramatic, high ceiling, light filled. Near 4th Street shops & transportation. Nancy Noman x1373 <b>\$599,000</b>
 <b>CLAREMONT HILLS</b> <b>1999 TUNNEL RD.</b> (Open 2-4) Brand new Richard Janzen designed custom contemporary. 4BR/3.5BA, elevator, separate guest or office suite, gourmet kitchen, level indoor/outdoor living areas. Fritz Hochfeller x1348 <b>\$1,469,000</b>	 <b>PIEDMONT</b> <b>364 WILDWOOD AVE.</b> New Listing! 3BR/3.5BA "Fixer" near Wildwood Grammar School. Den, rumpus room. 16,000+/- sq. ft. lot. Terraced yard goes down to creek. Great wooded views. Francis Heath x1357 <b>\$845,000</b>	 <b>REDWOOD HEIGHTS</b> <b>4069 HUNTINGTON ST.</b> (Open 1-5) Wonderful 3BR/2BA home w/gleaming hardwood floors, grand fireplace. Formal dining room, eat-in kitchen. Level patio, yard & large deck. Attached garage, lovely landscaping. Jennie A. Flanagan x1354 <b>\$675,000</b>
 <b>UPPER ROCKRIDGE</b> <b>28 MASONIC PL.</b> Hidden jewel offers privacy & wonderful spaces for entertaining. 3BR/2+BA. Recently updated kitchen, hardwood floors throughout, formal dining room, large deck. Peaceful cul-de-sac. Tom Nemeth x1381 <b>\$1,075,000</b>	 <b>BERKELEY</b> <b>1346 SACRAMENTO ST.</b> (Open 2-5) New Price! Bright open 3BR/2BA contemporary near BART & Monterey Market. Spacious family room, sunny deck and beautiful landscaped garden. Vicki Woodhead x1334 <b>\$729,000</b>	 <b>REDWOOD HEIGHTS</b> <b>51 TERALYNN CT.</b> (Open 1-4) Stylish 2-story townhouse w/outstanding South Bay views. Large open living room w/vaulted ceiling & fireplace, spacious kitchen & dining area. 2BR/2.5BA. Lori Lombardo x1377 <b>\$559,000</b>
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- 80A BROOKSTONE** - From the low \$500,000s. 3-4 bedroom designs packed with desirable new home features and amenities. Plans ranging from 3,096 to 3,347 sq ft. Open M-F 10-5, Sat/Sun 10-6. 925-679-3336. [www.dhiron.com](http://www.dhiron.com)
- 80A SPINNAKER COVE** - From the lower one millions. Grand Opening! 3-4 bedrooms, from approx. 3,032-4,000 sq ft. Waterfront living w/private docks and expanded 4-car gar. 4100 Sandinford Blvd. Models open Fri-Mon. 10-5. [www.hawkeyecompanies.com](http://www.hawkeyecompanies.com)
- 81 TEAL COVE AT CYPRESS GROVE** - From the mid \$500,000s. 1- and 2-story homes with 1,823 to 3,635 sq ft. Nine floor plans offer 3 bed/2.5 ba and 2- to 3-car garages. Located in the heart of the Delta. 925-679-8902, or visit [www.kbhome.com](http://www.kbhome.com)

## PITTSBURG

- 85 VALENCIA AT SAN MARCO** - From the mid \$700,000s. From 2,303 to 3,836 sq ft featuring 3-7 bed/ups to 4 ba. Close proximity to North Concord BART, Bay Point BART and Hwy 4. 925-261-0750. [valenciamodels@comcast.net](http://valenciamodels@comcast.net) [www.discovervalleys.com](http://www.discovervalleys.com)
- 86 HIGHLANDS RANCH** - From the low \$500,000s. Bay Area's Best Buy! Single family homes with plans ranging in size between 1,734 & 3,300 sq ft, features 3-5 bed/2-3 car garages w/option of options. 925-434-9070. [www.seenhomes.com](http://www.seenhomes.com)
- 87 LAKEVIEW CONDOMINIUMS** - From the low \$200,000s. 1-3 bed/1-2 ba. Close to BART. Granite counters, garages, full appliance package including washer/dryer. Open Mon-Fri 10-5, weekends 11-5. 925-252-9330. [www.CondoPittsburg.com](http://www.CondoPittsburg.com)
- 88 STANFORD PLACE** - From the mid \$500,000s. Less than one mile from Hwy 4 & near Pittsburg BART. Two-story single family homes with 1,788 to 2,193 sq ft. Three floor plans offer 3 to 5 bed/2.5 to 3 ba. 925-522-9010. Visit [www.kbhome.com](http://www.kbhome.com)
- 88A MARINER WALK** - Coming Soon! 1,685-1,967 sq ft, up to 4 bed/2.5 ba. Maintained front yards, beautiful parks nearby! Walk to downtown, BART and market! Herb Whiteley and 8th St. Join the interest list. 925-473-4533 or [www.OsonHomes.com](http://www.OsonHomes.com)

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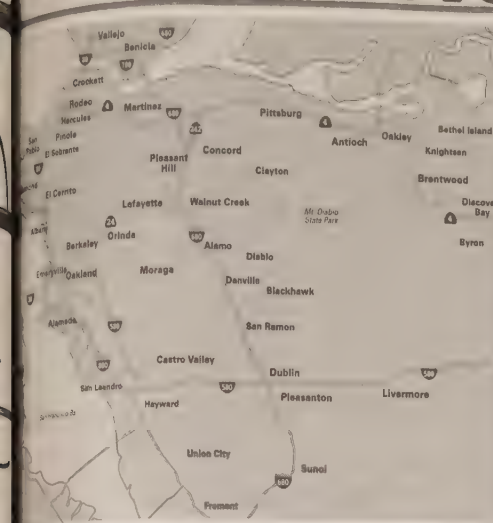
- 89 MARIPOSA RANCH GOLF COURSE LOTS** - From the mid \$600,000s. Only 24 home sites left. Open Fri-Sun 12-5. Ext 580 at Sunol/Cattlemead. Go west-round corner to Happy Valley Rd, then 1 mile. 925-426-3947. [www.visitmariposaranch.com](http://www.visitmariposaranch.com)
- 90 PHEASANT RIDGE** - From the high \$1,000,000s. These 1- & 2-story, 5-6 bed and 4-6 ba luxury residences feature up to 5,326 sq ft of Take 1680 to Bernale Ave. and West Lagodon Rd. Open 10-5 daily. 925-631-9698. [www.greenbriarhomes.com](http://www.greenbriarhomes.com)
- 91 CHATEAU COUNTRY ESTATES** - From the high \$1,000,000s. 30 quality-crafted luxury homes feature up to 5 bed/5.5 ba, from 3,800-4,500 sq ft or site up to 24,000 sq ft. Open daily from 10-5. For more information call 925-600-8288 or visit [greenbriarhomes.com](http://greenbriarhomes.com)
- 93 IRONWOOD** - From the low \$1,000,000s. Parkside living w/ cabana swim center & near Iron Horse Trail 2 communities offer 1- & 2-story homes, 4 to 6 bed/ups to 5 ba, up to 2,000 sq ft. Open daily 11-5, Monday 2 to 5. 925-482-2100. [www.ponderosahomes.com](http://www.ponderosahomes.com)
- 94 AUGUSTA AT COUNTRY CLUB VISTA** - From the mid \$600,000s. 4-6 bed, up to 3,600 sq ft. New lower prices with up to 75K bonus package! SCS Development Company. Open daily 10-5. 510-669-0473. [www.scsdevelopment.com](http://www.scsdevelopment.com)
- 94A SUMMER LANE** - From the high \$400,000s. Richmond Hilltop. Luxurious 1- & 2-story townhomes ranging from 1,554-2,108 sq ft, 3-4 bed/2.5-3.5 ba, 2-car garages, walking distance to Hilltop Mall and convenient. [www.dhiron.com](http://www.dhiron.com). 888-560-1110 or 510-669-0597
- 95 SEACLIFF AT POINT RICHMOND** - From the low \$400,000s. Waterfront community offers luxury 1 location. 3-4 bed single-family homes w/ views of the SF & Bay overlooking Bixby Creek Marina. Open daily 11-5. 510-234-8900. Toll Brokers.
- 96 BAY VILAS AT COUNTRY CLUB PRESERVE** - From the mid \$600,000s. Experience Bay Area living at its finest! 2 & 3 bed, 1,596 to 1,985 sq ft. Beautiful courtyard homes, fully equipped. Open daily Call 510-222-2885. [www.CountryClubPreserve.com](http://www.CountryClubPreserve.com)
- 97 BELLA FLORA** - From the low \$500,000s. Beautiful single-family homes near I-680 & I-580, perfect for commuters. Two-story homes featuring four floor plans with up to 4,043 sq ft, 3 to 5 bed/2.5 to 3 ba, and 2-car garages. Call 510-377-0083 today!
- 98 ANCHOR COVE** - From the high \$500,000s. 2-, 3-, & 4-bed townhome-style condominiums within the Marina Bay master plan. Range from 1,214 sq ft. Adjacent to waterfront trails, parks & marina. Open Tues-Sun 10-5. Mon 12-5. 510-965-0723. [www.sigpro.com](http://www.sigpro.com)
- 99A MARINA BAY** - From the high \$200,000s. 1 & 2-bed condominium homes. Private patio or balcony. Gated community with tennis, pool, fitness center & more. Open daily 10-5. 866-264-0650. [www.HomesAtMarinaBay.com](http://www.HomesAtMarinaBay.com). Sales by Pacific Marketing
- 99B THE SHORES AT MARINA BAY** - From the high \$200,000s. 6 floor plans w/ 1 & 2-bed condos w/private balcony or patio, 2 pools, fitness center & more. Close to marina. Open 10-5. 866-264-0650. [www.HomesAtMarinaBay.com](http://www.HomesAtMarinaBay.com). Sales by Pacific Marketing
- 99C THE COVE AT MARINA BAY** - From the high \$200,000s. 1&2 bed penthouse condominium homes incl granite counters, large closets, fireplaces. Many community amenities. Open 10-5. 866-264-0650. [www.HomesAtMarinaBay.com](http://www.HomesAtMarinaBay.com). Sales by Pacific Marketing

## SAN JOSE

- 101 HIGHLANDS** - From mid \$100,000s. Year-end special! pynis for 6 mo. Luxury attached homes in a gated community. 1-2 bed, 1,153 to 2,541 sq ft. Outdoor pools, indoor basketball



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1312 Lincoln Avenue Ruth Masonek	2BD/1BA 925-639-1571
1533 Pacific Ave. Central Alameda Ruth Masonek	18D/1BA 510-748-1148
2101 Shoreline Drive #232 LeRoy McDaniel	2BD/1.5BA 510-290-4656
412 Centre Ct. Harbor Bay Isle Rich Krinks	1 BD/1 BA 510-814-4802
1816 Chestnut Harbor Bay Isle Mindy Hart	18D/1BA 510-523-0746
3120 La Cresta Bay Farm Island Janice Payne	3 BD/1.5 BA 510-814-4846
3551 Solomon Ln. Bay Farm Island Nancy & Chuck Bianchi	3 BD/1.5 BA 510-814-4847
1000 Melrose Ave. Bay Farm Island Izabella Lipetski	3 BD/2.5 BA 510-814-4846
339 Broadway #218 Carol Burnett	2BD/2BA 510-508-7959
1986 Melrose Avenue Lynn Smith	2BD/2BA 510-205-3389
1001 Tahiti Ln. Bay Farm Island Tom Young	2 BD/2 BA 510-814-4841
2809 San Jose Avenue East End Ruth Masonek	2BD/1BA 510-912-5055
901 San Antonio Ave. Gold Coast Broker	2BD/1BA 510-735-5717
1128 Peach St. East End Bill Douglas	2 BD/1 BA 510-504-5089
3444 Capella Ln. Bay Farm Island Tom Young	2 BD/2 BA 510-814-4841
1446 Sixth Street D.Gunderman/A.Raskopf	2BD/1BA 510-205-4369/206-3575
2626 Washington Avenue D. Gunderman/A. Raskopf	2BD/1BA 510-205-4369/206-3575
238 Bannister Ct. Harbor Bay Isle Antoinette Paulino	2 BD/2 BA 510-814-4882
106 Holly Oak Lane Central Alameda Martha Turner	2 BD/2.5 BA 510-748-5300
1544 9th St. Central Alameda Martha Turner	3 BD/1 BA 510-814-4828
106 Brunswick Rd Harbor Bay Isle Mary Bunker	2 BD/1.5 BA 510-814-4713
139 Purcell Drive Valerie Newman	2BD/2BA 510-388-7214
2716 San Jose Avenue Jeff Pollard	4BD/1BA 925-381-4817
3 Parfait Ln. Harbor Bay Isle Jane Friedrich	3 BD/2.5 BA 510-814-4810
31 Invinible Ct. Marina Village Constance Farber	2BD/2BA 510-748-1126
224 Brighton Court Sundowner Cove Stephanie Neher	2BD/2BA 510-748-1133
1611 San Jose Ave. Gold Coast Barbara Bolton/Bill Douglas	1 BD/1.5 BA 510-504-5091/504-5089
4 Eclipse Court Marina Village Bill & Griselda Bissett	3BD/2BA 510-748-1108
672 Westline Dr. South Shore Russ Grant	3 BD/3 BA 510-814-4713
627 Centennial Avenue Denise Brady	3 BD/3 BA 510-523-8886
984 Post St. East End Carol Knight	3 BD/2 BA 510-681-5249
1142 Peach Street Sharon Alva	3 BD/2 BA 415-572-8759
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675,000 Open Sun. 2-4:30 Red Oak Realty	3204 Ellis St 3bd/1.5ba 510-697-8079 Tim Cassidy
699,000 Open Sun. 2-4 Red Oak Realty	2598 College Ave DUPLEX 510-280-2149 Mark Lederer
699,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.	463 Vermont Avenue 3+BD/1+BA 510-339-0400 Ruth Frassetto
709,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.	1251 Delaware Street 2+BD/1.5BA 510-652-2133 Karthiga Anandan
729,000 Open Sun. 2-5 Pacific Union	1346 Sacramento 3BD/2BA 510-338-1334 Vicki Woodhead
749,000 Open Sun. 2-5 Prudential Claremont	1206-1204 Allston Way 2 UNITS 510-986-9543 Natalie Cutler
749,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.	2026 Ninth Street 3BD/2BA 510-339-0400 Michelle Winchester
749,000 Open Sun. 2-4 Marvin Gardens R.E.	3053 Shattuck Ave 4bd/1.5ba 510-527-2700x36 Terry Pedersen
749,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.	2522-24 Fulton Street 1+BD/1BA 510-652-2133 Ruth Frassetto
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799,000 Open Sun 2-4 Alain Pinel Realtors	1364 Grizzly Peak Blvd. 3BD/2BA 510-339-8900 Tom Erwin
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879,000 Open Sat 12-3/Sun 1:30-4:30 Coldwell Banker	2118 McKinley Avenue 5BD/4BA 510-486-1495 C. Varnau/R. Akbari
895,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.	2829 Buena Vista Way 3BD/3BA 510-652-2133 Jennifer Fickenschier
899,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 Montclair Better Homes	2661 Parker St 5bd/2ba 510-339-8400 M.J. McConville
915,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.	682 Creston Road 3BD/3BA 510-339-0400 Anne Van Dyke
925,000 Open Sun 1:30-4 Coldwell Banker	1206 Oxford St. 3BD/2BA 510-486-1495 Rita Zwerdling
995,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 Coldwell Banker	12 Hill Road 2BD/2BA 510-339-4700 Barbara Hardacre
1,050,000 Open Sun 2-4 Coldwell Banker	6833 Sherwood 3bd/3ba 510-848-1950 x240 Colleen Larkin
1,100,000 Open Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker	1401 Scenic Avenue 4+BD/3.5BA 510-486-1495 Barbara Levy
1,125,000 Open Sun. 2-4:30 Marvin Gardens R.E.	515 Colusa Ave 5+bd/4.5ba 510-502-7199/559-2915 Todd Hodson/Ron Eggherman
1,150,000 Open Sun 2-4 Coldwell Banker	26 Northgate 5BD/4BA 510-486-1495 Kim & Barbara Marienthal
1,150,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 Northbrae Properties	87 Southampton Ave 3bd/4ba 510-526-4356 Anita Thede
1,195,000 Open Sun. 2-4:30 Prudential Piedmont	254 Hillcrest 4bd/2ba 510-428-0900 Judith Glass/Sheila Sabine
1,195,000 Open Sun. 2:30-4:30 Marchant Chapman	797 San Diego Rd 5bd/4ba 415-451-1460 Jane Manning
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499,000 Open Sun. 2-4 Red Oak Realty	1250 Powell St. #7 1bd/1ba+loft 510-280-2105 Sara Garabedian
665,000 Sun 2-4 Sequola Crossing Gallagher & Lindsey	3573 Shadow Brook 3BD/2.5BA 510-748-1174/748-1169 M. & W. Mariani / J. LoParo
518,000 Open Sun 2-5 Coldwell Banker	27659 Persimmon Drive 3+BD/2.5BA 510-339-4700 Tiffany Stechschulte
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477,000 Open Sun. 2-4 Security Pacific	9 Hill Court 3bd/2.5ba 510-224-0299 Tommy & Jeannette
673,222 Coldwell Banker Bartels	2027 Cabrillo Ln. 4bd/2.5ba 510-691-9222 Sam Cheng
675,000 Sun Sat, 1-4 Keller Williams Berkeley	1075 Raywood Lane 3bd+loft/2.5ba 510-375-2580 Rattany Hort
795,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 The Grubb Co.	249 Cambridge Avenue 3BD/2BA 510-652-2133 Annie Walrand
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264,000 Open Sun. 2-4 Red Oak Realty	3751 Harrison #200 1 BD/1 BA 510-252-1647 Quinn Stone
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389,000 Open Sun 1-5 Lawton Associates	574 48th St. #204 1BD/1BA 510-547-5970 ext. 55 Ron Kriss
400,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 Wells & Bennett	255 Lee Street #2 2BD/1BA 510-531-7000 Kevin P. Kennedy/Patsy Buhler
400,000 Sat 1-4 Gallagher & Lindsey Inc.	3825 High Street 2BD/2BA 510-748-1188 Rich Lai
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420,500 Open Sun. 2-4 Red Oak Realty	250 Whitmore St #101 2bd/1ba 510-292-2009 Glauber Carvalho
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469,000 Open Sun. 2-4 Red Oak Realty	5290 Broadway Terrace #102 2bd/2ba 510-280-2105 Sara Garabedian
470,000 Open Sun. 1-5 Prudential Montclair	255-3rd St 1bd/1ba 510-339-9290 Susan Lambert
475,000 Open Sun 2-5 Coldwell Banker	311 Oak Street #730 1BD/1BA 510-339-4700 Kara Thacker
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480,000 Open Sun 2-4:30 Wells & Bennett Realtors	1515 E. 31st Street 3BD/1BA 510-531-7000 x250 Shelene Rose
489,000 Open Sun. 2-4 Prudential Grand Lake	3517 Simmon St 3bd/2ba 510-834-2010 Colin Kelly Hill
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499,000 Open Sun. 2-4:30 Montclair Better Homes	220 Caldecott Ln 2bd/2ba 510-339-8400 M.J. McConville
499,000 Open Sun. 1-4 Prudential Grand Lake	2425 Frances St 3bd/2ba 510-834-2010 Richard Matus
499,000 Open Sun. 2-4:30 Montclair Better Homes	5627 Morse Dr 2+bd/2ba 510-339-8400 Wilbert Ross
499,000 Open Sun 1-5 Lawton Associates	574 48th St. #402 1+BD/1BA 510-547-5970 ext. 55 Ron Kriss
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539,000 Open Sun. 1-5 Prudential Claremont	6946 Sarotti Dr 1+bd/1ba 510-339-8301 Laurel Strand
545,000 Open Sun. 1-4 New Spring R.E.	2944 58th Ave 3bd/2ba 510-299-3097 Jimmy Halloran
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\$569,000	1371 Holman	2BD/1BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Crocker Highlands	510-338-1364	
Pacific Union Residential	Dolores Thom		
\$585,000	185 John	2BD/1BA	
Open 2-4:30	Piedmont Avenue	510-338-1316	
Pacific Union	Joan Dark		
\$585,000	5533 Marshall Street	2BD/1BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Emeryville Border	510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Ruth Frassetto		
\$595,000	3221 Magnolia Street	2BD/2BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakland West/Emeryville Border	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	E. Lancaster		
\$595,000	3779 Fruitvale Ave.	2 BD/1 BA	
Sun 2-4	Dimond (Upper)	415-921-6000	
Hill & Co. Real Estate	Jacob Vendle		
\$595,000	4366 Albert Street	2BD/1.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Upper Laurel	510-531-7000 x292	
Wells & Bennett Realtors	Carol Robbiano		
\$599,000	1808 Pleasant Valley Ave	2bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Piedmont Ave	510-339-8400	
Montclair Better Homes	Jack Brennenman		
\$599,000	4164 Lincoln Avenue	2+BD/1+BA	
Open Sun 2-5	Lincoln Heights	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Rachel Baller		
\$623,000	10920 Cotter St	3bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Grass Valley	510-339-8400	
Montclair Better Homes	Regina Jacobs		
\$629,000	1478 Excelsior	3bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-213-1139	
Prudential Grand Lake	Lisa Cartolano		
\$629,000	2451 Alida St	3+bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakland Hills	510-339-8400	
Montclair Better Homes	Patricia Bennett		
\$639,000	2539 Carmel St	2++bd/2ba	
Sat/Sun 1-4	Lincoln Heights	510-868-1554	
Prudential Berkeley	Anita Becker		
\$639,000	311 Oak Street Ph 7	2BD/2BA	
Open Sat/Sun 2-5	Jack London Sq.	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Kara Thacker		
\$639,000	4285 Detroit Avenue	2BD/1BA	
Open 2-4:30	Redwood Heights	510-338-1352	
Pacific Union Residential	Diane E. McCan		
\$649,000	3951 Altamont Ave	4bd/4ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-292-2003	
Red Oak Realty	Elizabeth McDonald		
\$649,000	471 41st St	3bd/1.5ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Temescal	510-339-4000	
Montclair Better Homes	Tom Watson		
\$650,000+	41st St. and Shafter Ave	3 BD/3.5 BA	
Sat & Sun 1-5	Temescal Station	510-238-9111 x12	
Elwood Commercial RE	Barbara Kami		
\$650,000	5829 Adeline St	4bd/3ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	No. Oakland	510-339-4000	
Montclair Better Homes	Arnold Mueller		
\$659,000	2875 Glascock St #214	1bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-280-2105	
Red Oak Realty	Sara Garabedian		
\$664,000	3523 Victor Avenue	3BD/2BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Redwood Hgts	510-531-7000 x246	
Wells & Bennett Realtors	Stan Hammond		
\$669,000	4089 Waterhouse Rd.	3bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakland Hills	510-339-8400	
Montclair Better Homes	Patricia Bennett		
\$672,000	4851 Dunkirk Avenue	3BD/2.5BA	
Open 2-4:30		510-569-3499	
Richardson Real Estate	Shalaya Shipman		
\$675,000	4069 Huntington	3BD/2BA	
Open Sun 1-5	Redwood Heights	510-610-3601	
Pacific Union Residential	Jennie A. Flanigan		
\$679,000	3001 Wisconsin	3BD/1.25BA	
Open 2-4:30	Laurel	510-338-1317	
Pacific Union Residential	Kathy Flynn		
\$684,000	190 Maggiora Dr	3bd/3ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Malcolm	510-595-7699	
Keller Williams	Dave Higgins		
\$689,000	437 Rich St	2+bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-5	Temescal	415-451-1460	
Marchant Chapman	Jane Manning		
\$695,000	161 Beauforest Drive	3+BD/2BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Montclair	510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Katherine Cooper		
\$695,000	255 Lee Street Penthouse #4	3BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Adams Point	510-531-7000	
Wells & Bennett	Kevin P. Kennedy & Patsy Buhler		
\$698,000	3190 Birdsall	3+bd/2.5ba	
Open Sun 2-4	Maxwell Park	510-597-0292	
Bay Area Properties	Diana Yonkouski		
\$699,000	3800 Harrison Street	3+ +BD/1.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4	Piedmont Avenue	510-486-1495	
Coldwell Banker	Holly Rose		
\$699,000	85 Norman Ln	2bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Rockridge	510-428-0900	
Prudential Piedmont	Judith Glass/Sheila Sabine		
\$710,000	1075 E.33rd Street	5+BD/2BA	
Sun 2-4	Upper Fruitvale	510-748-1148	
Gallagher & Lindsey Inc.	Pacita Dimacali		
\$725,000	1145 Glencourt	3BD/2BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Montclair	510-338-1340	
Pacific Union Residential	Christian Downer		

Oakland			
\$895,000	1023 Winsor	2bd/2ba	
Open Sun 1-4	Lakeshore	510-845-0211	
Prudential	Harrington/Normart		
\$899,000	4625 Dolores Avenue	4BD/2.5BA	
Open Sat/Sun 1-5	Glenview	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Rose Nield		
\$899,000	7290 Woodrow	3+BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Montclair	510-338-1305	
Pacific Union Residential	Teri Carlisle		
\$910,000	6206 Viewcrest	4BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Ridgemont	510-338-1303	
Pacific Union Residential	Wendy Ferrari		
\$925,000	1088 Clarendon Crescent	3BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Crocker Highlands	510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Judith Cain		
\$929,000	8237 Skyline Circle	3bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakland Hills	510-339-9290	
Prudential Montclair	Heldi Marchesotti		
\$939,000	6440 Longcroft Dr	4bd/2.5ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Montclair	510-595-7699	
Keller Williams	Dave Higgins		
\$950,000	5668 Buena Vista Avenue	3+BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Upper Rockridge	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Terry Kulka		
\$979,000	18 Cornwall Court	4BD/3BA	
Open Sun 1-4:30	Montclair	510-338-1350	
Pacific Union Residential	Donna Conroy		
\$995,000	1061 Hubert Road	3BD/1.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Crocker Highlands	510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Carly Scott		
\$998,000	6201 Brookside Dr	3+bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4	Upper Rockridge	510-597-0292	
Bay Area Properties	Diana Yonkouski		
\$1,025,000	858 Carleton Avenue	3BD/1.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Crocker Highlands	510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Hope Broderick		
\$1,045,000	6995 Elvertan Drive	4BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Montclair	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Peter Nicolopoulos		
\$1,049,000	6247 Ridgemont	3BD/2.5BA	
Open 2-4:30	Ridgemont	510-338-1310	
Pacific Union Residential	Robyn Mohr		
\$1,075,000	28 Masonic Place	3BD/2+BA	
Open 2-4:30	Upper Rockridge	510-652-6537	
Pacific Union Residential	Tom Nemeth		
\$1,099,000	6841 Exeter Drive	3BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Claremont Pines	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Claudia Bowman		
\$1,100,000	4350 Bridgeview Dr	3+bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakmore	510-339-9290	
Prudential Montclair	Heldi Marchesotti		
\$1,100,000	6245 Brookside Avenue	4+BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Upper Rockridge	510-581-5430	
Coldwell Banker	Michelle Ferguson		
\$1,200,000	2849 Kitchener	3BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4	Upper Fruitvale	510-301-4004	
Gallagher & Lindsey Inc.	Jim Nations		
\$1,200,000	6240 Acacia Avenue	4BD/3.5BA	
Open Sun 2-5	Rockridge	510-531-7000 x234	
Wells & Bennett Realtors	Beth DeAtley		
\$1,200,000	6555 Shepherd Canyon Rd.	4+BD/3.5BA	
Open Sun 1:30-4	Montclair	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Julie Joyce		
\$1,225,000	6375 Longcroft Drive	4BD/4.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Montclair	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	David Eckert		
\$1,250,000	1037 Aquarius Way	3BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakland Hills	510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Anne Feste		
\$1,258,000	3875 Lakeshore	5bd/3.5ba	
Sun 2-4:30	Upper Lakeshore	510-428-0900	
Prudential Piedmont	Scott Thompson		
\$1,275,000	5620 Balboa Dr	4bd/3ba	
Sun 1-5	Montclair	510-339-8301	
Prudential Claremont	Laurel Strand		
\$1,290,000	4444 Oak Hill Rd.	4+BD/3 BA	
Sun 2-4	Sequoiah Hills	510-917-6060	
Winters Realty	Denise Parker		
\$1,339,000	6133 Fairlane Drive	4+BD/3.5BA	
Open Sat/Sun 2-4	Montclair	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Joan Duffield		
\$1,365,000	970 Alvarado Road	3BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Claremont Hills	510-652-2133	
The Grubb Co.	Susie Schevill		
\$1,395,000	7150 Woodrow Drive	4BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 1-4		510-339-8900	
Alain Pinel Realtors	Mel Copland		
\$1,469,000	1999 Tunnel Rd.	4+BD/3.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4	Claremont Hills	510-338-1348	
Pacific Union Residential	Fritz Hochfellner		
\$1,495,000	6250 Fairlane Drive	3BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Montclair	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Karen Lum		
\$1,500,000	5586 Bacon	4+BD/4BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakland Hills	510-338-1308	
Pacific Union Residential	Dick Cohen		
\$1,545,000	5234 Cochrane	4+BD/2+BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Upper Rockridge	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Noni & Gary Robinson		
\$1,785,000	6021 Acacia Ave	4bd/2.5ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Claremont Pines	510-339-9290	
Prudential Montclair	Heldi Marchesotti		
\$1,789,000	6256 Melville Drive	4BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 1:30-4:30		510-699-9000	
Alain Pinel Realtors	Kelly Deal		
\$2,050,000	1580 Grand View	4BD/3.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Oakland Hills	510-338-1318	
Pacific Union Residential	Dee Knowland		
\$2,800,000	6101 Contra Costa Road	4BD/3.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Rockridge (Upper)	510-652-2133	
The Grubb Co.	Helene Barkin		
\$3,700,000	2 Lincolnshire	5+BD/4+BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Claremont Pines	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Dian Hymer		
\$3,995,000	4615 Rockingham Ct.	6+BD/5+BA	
Open 2-4:30	Ridgemont	510-338-1331	
Pacific Union Residential	David Ichikawa		

Piedmont			
\$949,000	63 Wildwood Avenue	4BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Steve Michaelides		
\$998,000	1124 Ranleigh Way	3BD/2BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Sandra Vogl		
\$1,189,000	43 Cambridge Way	3BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Linda McClain		
\$1,195,000	1816 Trestle Glen	3+bd/2+ba	
Sun 2-4:30		510-428-0900	
Prudential Piedmont	Judith Glass/Sheila Sabine		
\$1,299,000	114 Alta Avenue	4BD/3BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Angela Wel Grubb		
\$1,725,000	330 San Carlos Avenue	4BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Nancy Lehrkind		
\$2,650,000	220 Saint James Drive	4BD/3.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-339-0400	
The Grubb Co.	Mindy Scott		
Pleasant Hill			
\$869,000	105 Pleasant View Drive	3BD/3BA	
Open Sun 1-4		510-899-8000	
Alain Pinel Realtors	Sarah Schisler		
Point Richmond			
\$459,000	63 Scenic Ave	2bd/2ba	
Sun 2-4		510-524-0800	
Marvin Gardens	Merrilyn Rhodes		
\$549,000	128 Castro St	3bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-849-9900	
Maison Nouveau	Tory Finn		
\$1,149,000	214 Seaview Drive	4BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4		510-868-1495	
Coldwell Banker	Nancy Copeland		
\$2,349,000	1433 Sandpiper Spit	5bd/3.5ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-292-3053	
Marvin Gardens	Tom Brichta		
Richmond			
\$399,000	418 36th St	2bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-4	No. & East	510-868-1575	
Prudential Berkeley	Jake McTigue		
\$399,000	607 Commodore Dr.	1 BD/1 BA	
Open Sun 1-4	Marina Bay	415-845-5831	
First Marin Realty	Nat Steinhart		
\$425,000	263 S. 45th Street	3BD/1.5BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30		510-531-7000 x241	
Wells & Bennett Realtors	Rita Robinson		
\$449,000	1621 Garvin	2bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-4	No. & East	510-224-0299	
Security Pacific	Jeannette Schneckenberger		
\$449,000	3200 Lowell Ave	2bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-280-2166	
Red Oak Realty	Julie Cuelias		
\$484,950	775-39th St	2+bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-237-0372	
Coldwell Banker Bartels	Franca Tallerico		
\$495,000	2522 Beach Head Way	3bd/3ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-280-2121	
Red Oak Realty	Katie Lederer		
\$497,000	947 32nd St	3bd/2ba	
Sun 2-4	No. & East	510-527-9111	
Marvin Gardens	Toba/Suzanne		
\$499,000	3111 Henderson Dr	3bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Hilltop	510-428-0900	
Prudential Piedmont	Robert Abel		
\$499,000	800 35th St	3bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-5	No. & East	510-868-1575	
Prudential Berkeley	Jake McTigue		
\$545,000	1668 Santa Clara St	2bd/1.5ba	
Open Sun 2-4	Richmond Annex	510-527-9111	
Marvin Gardens	Joan Underwood		
\$570,000	673 Amador	4bd/2ba	
Open Sun 1-4	Richmond View	510-662-8535	
Security Pacific	David K		
\$599,900	4059 Mozart Dr	4bd/3ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-691-1222	
Coldwell Banker Bartels	Sam Cheng		
\$724,000	3643 Park Ridge Drive	4BD/2.5BA	
Open Sun 1-4	Country Club	510-486-1495	
Coldwell Banker	Gene Della Maggiora		
\$749,500	5 Harborview Drive	3+BD/3BA	
Open Sun 1:30-4	Marina Bay	510-486-1495	
Coldwell Banker	Gregg Lustig		
\$869,000	1310 Mallard Dr	2bd/1.5ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-774-4231	
Red Oak Realty	Mark Lederer		
Rodeo			
\$539,000	974 Coral Ridge Ct	3bd/2ba	
Sat/Sun 1-4		510-914-0658	
Keller Williams	John Cashman		
San Leandro			
\$365,000	2077 Washington St#104	2BD/2BA	
Sun 2-4		510-521-1657	
Bayside Real Estate	Quinn Stone		
\$405,000	14031 Reed Ave.	2BD/2BA	
Sun 2-4		510-508-2004	
Alameda Realty	Jim Mangiapane		
\$449,000	2523 Galleon Pl. 125	2 BD/ 2 BA	
Sun 2-4		510-614-4854	
Harbor Bay Realty	Donn Gutierrez		
\$450,000	1400 Carpenter Street	2BD/2BA	
Open Sun 1-4		510-339-8900	
Alain Pinel Realtors	Judy Dworacz		
\$579,000	838 Dowling	2BD/1BA	
Open Sun 1-4		510-338-1335	
Pacific Union Residential	Michelle Miller		
\$589,000	250 Bellevue Dr	3bd/1ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-334-5476	
Coldwell Banker Bartels	Christopher Casimere		
\$595,000	2259 Upland Rd	4bd/2ba	
Open Sun 2-4		510-280-2126	
Red Oak Realty	Leif Jonsen		
\$619,000	963 Helen Avenue	3BD/2BA	
Open Sun 2-4:30	Broadmoor	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Preston Grant		
\$629,000	1218 Alder Creek	3BD/2+BA	
Open Sun 1-4		510-338-1335	
Pacific Union Residential	Michelle Miller		
\$675,000	16373 Panoramic Way	3BD/2.5BA	
Sun 2-4		510-748-5300	
Homes-Link Real Estate			
\$699,000	561 Joaquin Avenue	3BD/2BA	
Open Sun 1-4	Estudillo Estates	510-339-4700	
Coldwell Banker	Karyn Selby Miller		



# Where is YOUR dream home?

## Real Estate & Home

Section B  
Friday, September 14, 2001

Now is the time to prepare for the inevitable 'Big One'

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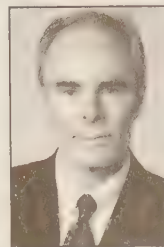




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## Loan Officer Profile of the Week: Marty Appel

Marty is the Business Manager of Bay Area Reverse Mortgage, a subsidiary of Holmgren & Associates. He works with senior homeowners, who find that he has a passion for the business and a strong desire to make sure they understand all details of a reverse mortgage. Before coming to Bay Area Reverse Mortgage, he earned a degree in business from the University of Louisville, and worked for 37 years in Marketing for Chevron Corporation, where he retired as Administrative Manager in 1999.

He lives in the Rockridge District of Oakland with his wife, Janet. They have one son, Erik, who also lives in the Bay Area. Marty serves on the board of the Willows Theatre of Concord and the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity Graduate Association at Cal, Berkeley. Marty is an accomplished glass artist and enjoys glass blowing at a Berkeley glass studio.



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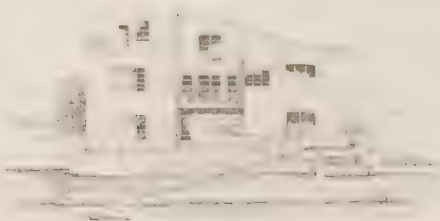
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### 4327 DETROIT AVENUE OAKLAND

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Open Sunday 2-4:00  
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515 Colusa Ave. Berkeley  
Enchanting 1000 Oaks French Eclectic-style home and detached cottage. 5+ BRs, 4.5 baths including au-pair. Exquisite updated kitchen, elegant formal dining room.

\$1,125,000 Sun 2-4:30  
Ron & Todd 524.0800



1668 Santa Clara Richmond Annex  
Lovely 2BR/1.5BA home w/many new improvements. Formal dining room, perfect office or TV room downstairs featuring head-on Golden Gate/Bay view. Attached 2-car garage, deck.

\$545,000 Sun 2-4:00  
Joan Underwood 527.9111



1731 Francisco St. A Berkeley  
Three BR, 2-bath tenant-in-common in fantastic 3-unit complex. Sliding door to deck, French doors to exclusive garden. Double-pane windows, newer appliances. Near N. Berkeley BART.

\$499,000 Sun 2-4:00  
Jean Shrem/Marni Fischer 527.9111

2718 Sonoma St. El Cerrito  
Last chance to see this great home. Completely redone, flexible price! Level backyard w/fruit trees & plenty of space. Master bedroom suite, extra large living rm w/fireplace, perfect for entertaining.

\$649,000 Sun 2-4:00  
Catherine Krueger 527.9111

1332 Russell St. Berkeley  
Large remodeled 3/2 Craftsman home from neighborhood park. Open living/dining & full floor master bedroom both with woodstoves, new floors. Cleared pest. Nr Berk. Bowl & BART.

\$629,000 Sun 2-4:00  
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947 32nd St. Richmond N&E  
New Price! Rare Berkeley-style Storybook Tudor on tree-lined st. Unique architectural details. 3BR/2BA + study w/closet. Formal dining room. Art Deco bath, detached garage.

\$497,000 Sun 2-4:00  
Toba & Suzanne 527.9111

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Alhambra	Contra	Monte
Amador	Costa	Vista
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Antioch	De Anza	Northgate
Athenian	De La Salle	Piedmont
Benicia	Deer Valley	Pinole
Bentley	Dublin	Valley
Berean	El Cerrito	Pittsburg
Christian	Encinal	Richmond
Berkeley	Foothill	St. Joseph
Bishop	Freedom	Notre
O'Dowd	Granada	Dame
California	Head-	St. Mary's
Campolindo	Royce	St. Patrick-
Carondelet	Hercules	St. Vincent
Castro	Heritage	Salesian
Valley	Holy	San Ramon
Clayton	Names	Valley
Valley	John Swett	Skyline
College	Kennedy-	Valley
Park	Richmond	Christian
	Las Lomas	Ygnacio
		Valley



## EAST BAY FOOTBALL SUPER POLL

Rank	School	Record	Comment
1.	De La Salle	10-0	Top seed in 4A seeks its 15th consecutive NCS championship
2.	Foothill	10-0	Victory over Amador Valley gives Falcons first 10-0 finish in Matt Sweeney era
3.	Deer Valley	10-0	Wolverines' smallest margin of victory this season was 14 points over Freedom
4.	San Ramon Valley	9-1	Drives 73 yards in final 90 seconds to beat rival Monte Vista 21-17
5.	Monte Vista	7-3	Any potential playoff run will depend on the health of QB Drew McAllister (ribs)
6.	Hayward	9-1	Farmers finish HAAL unbeaten, garner the No. 1 seed in the 3A East Bay bracket
7.	Pittsburg	7-3	Double-overtime loss to Antioch doesn't keep Pirates out of playoffs
8.	Amador Valley	7-3	One of several good 4A teams forced to watch from the bleachers this postseason
9.	Pinole Valley	10-0	Spartans hope to stay perfect as the No. 2 seed in the 3A East Bay tournament
10.	Freedom	7-3	Wins Battle for the Bell for the first time since 2002 but miss out on playoffs

11. McClymonds (6-2-1), 12. College Park (9-1), 13. Mt. Eden (8-2), 14. Alhambra (9-1), 15. San Leandro (7-3), 16. James Logan (8-2), 17. Castlemon (8-2), 18. El Cerrito (8-1-1), 19. Miramonte (7-3), 20. California (5-5).

**Others receiving votes:** Irvington (7-3), Alameda (7-3), Salesian (8-2). The East Bay Super Poll incorporates all East Bay high schools and is compiled by the staffs of Contra Costa Newspapers and the Alameda Newspaper Group. Records are through Saturday.

## NCS FOOTBALL PAIRINGS

CLASS 4A	First round	Tonight
■ No. 8 College Park (9-1) at No. 1 De La Salle (10-0), 7 p.m.	■ No. 7 James Logan (8-2) at No. 2 Foothill (10-0), 7 p.m.	■ No. 5 Clayton Valley (5-5) vs. No. 4 Irvington (7-3), Tak Fudenna Stadium, Fremont, 7 p.m.
CLASS 2A EAST BAY	First round	Tonight
■ No. 8 Kennedy-Fremont (4-6) at No. 1 El Cerrito (8-1-1), 7 p.m.	■ No. 7 Acalanes (4-6) at No. 2 Camplindo (6-4), 7 p.m.	■ No. 5 Ygnacio Valley (4-6) at No. 4 Bishop O'Dowd (5-5), 1 p.m.
CLASS 3A EAST BAY	First round	Tonight
■ No. 8 Concord (5-5) vs. No. 1 Hay-		■ No. 6 Piedmont (5-5) at No. 3 Miramonte (7-3), 7 p.m.

## Football

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a 66-yard run with 2:23 remaining to break a tie and help the Eagles edge the Cougars Friday at Contra Costa College.

Galloway, who rushed for a game-high 123 yards on 17 carries, also reached the end zone in the fourth quarter on a 2-yard run as Kennedy (1-9, 1-4 Bay Shore Athletic League) tied the game at 34 with 5:04 remaining at Contra Costa College. The Eagles trailed the Cougars (3-7, 1-4) by as many as 19 points in the second quarter.

After Galloway's first touchdown of the fourth quarter, the Eagles defense allowed two Albany first downs before stiffening and forcing the Cougars to punt on the Eagles 48. On the

first play from scrimmage on Kennedy's next possession, Galloway went left on a sweep and bolted down the sideline for his game-winning touchdown run.

Kennedy's Chuck Jacobs ended Albany's next drive with an interception at the Kennedy 20 with 1:54 remaining. It was his second of the game. The Eagles ran out the clock for the win.

Albany, which was without star running back Eric Roberson for much of the second half because of a foot injury, was paced in rushing by Arkan Razi (92 yards on 15 carries). Razi and teammate Kevin Banks combined for 105 rushing yards in the second half. Banks had 56 yards on eight carries in the game, and Roberson finished with 60 yards on 12 carries.

— Phil Jensen

Piedmont 31, St. Mary's 14;

The Highlanders (5-5, 4-1 BSAL) needed a win over the host Panthers Friday to improve their chances for the North Coast Section East Bay 2A playoffs.

Tied 14-14 after a first half in which it appeared out of sync, Piedmont was looking for someone to step up and make a play in the second half.

Brendan Newland made two. The senior came up with a leaping interception on St. Mary's opening drive of the second half, and two plays later hauled in a 47-yard touchdown strike from Will Conn.

"They came out fired up in the first half," Newland said of the Panthers (4-6, 1-4). "They had nothing to lose and were trying to play spoilers. We wanted to shift the momentum."

— Dan Stark, MediaNews staff

## Calendar

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Swim Center, 3rd and Central, Alameda. Contact: linert@yahoo.com, www.alamedaislanders.org.

■ **Hilltop Speed Track Club** — Sign-ups for athletes ages 6-17 9-11 a.m. Nov. 18, 25 and Dec. 2. Pinole Valley High School, 2900 Pinole Valley Road. \$50. Contact: 510-828-3668.

■ **Rudgear Estates Swim Team** — Looking for head and assistant swim coaches for 2007 season. For information and to submit a resume contact: Nancy Robey, 925-935-1572, www.rudgearats.com.

■ **Orinda Intermediate School** — Looking for Boys grade 6-8 basketball coach. Contact: Milos Ribic, 925-376-4402 ext. 242, mribic@orinda.k12.ca.us.

■ **Liberty High School** — Looking for JV head baseball coach and assistant baseball coaches. Contact: Nick Ferreira, 510-719-7474.

■ **El Cerrito High School** — Looking for JV basketball coach. Contact: 510-525-0234 ext. 2645, geustin488@aol.com.

■ **Antioch Little League** — Umpires wanted for baseball and softball. For in-

formation or appointment: 925-756-7920, questions@antiochlittleleague.com, www.antiochlittleleague.com.

■ **Concord High School** — Looking for swim coaches for the upcoming season. Contact: Laurie Cullenward, 925-768-6450, ecullen@pacbell.net.

■ **Berean Christian High School** — Openings for an assistant varsity boys soccer coach and assistant freshman boys and JV girls basketball coaches. Must be in agreement with Berean's Statement of Faith. Contact: Craig Lee, 925-945-6464 ext. 25, coachlee@astound.net, www.berean-eagles.org.

■ **Alameda World Team Baseball** — Accepting applications for the positions of general manager and manager of the 2007 World Team. Tournament will be held in Mazatlan, Mexico, in August 2007. Composed of players ages 14-15. Contact: Jeni Marr, jenimarr@ayahoo.com, 510-865-6226.

■ **Bethel High School** — Accepting applications for track and field coaches for 2007 season. Contact: Pete Keys, 707-384-4900, fastjags@aol.com.

■ **Pittsburg High School** — Looking for athletic trainer, girls JV soccer, boys varsity and frosh baseball and varsity swimming. Contact: Al Hurtado, 925-473-4100 ext. 1315.

■ **Ygnacio Valley High School** — Coaching positions open in JV girls softball, JV boys soccer, assistant boys

swimming and assistant varsity and JV baseball. Contact: Mario Balestrieri, 925-685-8414 ext. 3622, balestrierim@mindsd.k12.ca.us.

■ **Camplindo High School** — Looking for boys varsity and JV tennis coaches for winter season. Contact: Bob Wilson, 925-280-3950 ext. 5235, bwilson@acalanes.k12.ca.us.

## FISHING REPORT

## PACIFIC OCEAN

Robert Gallia of the El Dorado said salmon season ended on a quiet note with scores up to five fish weighing to 31 pounds. All the effort has been concentrated around the Duxbury Buoy reef area.

All crab combo trips to the Farallones caught limits of dungeness crab. The New Easy Rider, California Dawn and Silver Fox combined to exceed 96 limits of rock fish, 58 ling cod up to 28 pounds and 516 dungeness crabs. Many of the captains have reported over 30 legal-sized crabs in many of the traps.

Diana Nunez of www.BerkeleyMarinaSportFishing.com reported both the New Golden Eye and the Golden Eye 2000 ventured out to the Farallon Islands. On Saturday, 35 anglers aboard the New Golden Eye with Capt. Trung Vo caught half-limits of rock cod and 210 dungeness crab. The Golden Eye 2000 with Capt. Quang Vo had 30 anglers aboard catching three-quarter limits of rock cod, two ling cod and 180 large dungeness crab. Sunday, 23 anglers aboard the Golden Eye 2000 headed to the Farallones and caught 230 rock cod, 28 ling cod up to 14 pounds and 138 dungeness crab. Also on Sunday, the New Golden Eye carried 40 anglers and caught rock cod limits and 240 dungeness crab.

James Smith of the charter boat California Dawn has had success with his combo trips. From Saturday to Wednesday, they had 125 limits of dungeness crab, 73 limits of rock cod and 108 ling cod between 7 and 21 pounds. They also fished the Sisters in San Pablo Bay over two days and caught 25 strikers and one halibut.

## THE BAYS

**SAN PABLO:** Fishing has been slow, but good weekend tides should mean good sturgeon fishing. Anchor with mudsuckers and bullhead in the triangle. Shore anglers are catching striped bass.

**SUISUN:** Jordana Santiago of Martinez Bait & Tackle reported good fishing this week. Strippers are still being caught on the Martinez Pier, and at the first and last rows of ships and the low on bullhead, mudsuckers, grass shrimp and anchovies. Sturgeon are being had at Suisun Bay, the low and the Ozel areas on grass and ghost shrimp and salmon roe. The early morning incoming tides (at 5 a.m.) through the end of the outgoing (at 7 p.m.) are the best tides to fish this weekend. For weather report questions, call 925-229-9420.

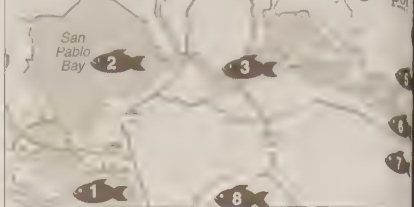
Catching strikers were Robert Billings of Martinez (26 inches, 5.7 pounds) on grass shrimp at the duck pond, Larry Amos of Texas (two totaling 40.5 pounds) on grass shrimp at the pier, Monte Price of Martinez (26 inches) at the Martinez Pier on a bullhead, Josh Badger of Benicia (two totaling 58 pounds) at the first row in the shallows on bullhead, Bob McCutchen of Martinez (28.75 inches — released) on the pier with anchovies and Paul Duran of San Jose (38 inches, 22 pounds) at the last row of ships on a grass/ghost shrimp combo.

Duran also caught a 49-inch sturgeon at the Ozel pier on ghost shrimp. Others catching sturgeon were David Nguyen of El Sobrante (46 inches) in Suisun Bay on grass shrimp and Joe Frazer of San Pablo (62 inches, 58.5 pounds) at the low on grass shrimp.

## THE DELTA

Fishing for striped bass and sturgeon remained steady during last week's weather changes. Sturgeon, in particular, have become more plentiful. The San Joaquin River near the Powerlines, Prospect Slough and Decker Island have been good spots. Striped

## Curtis Pashelka's Bay Area fishing report



Poor	Fair	Good	Great
1. San Francisco Bay — Sturgeon becoming more active in South Bay.	2. San Pablo Bay — Better tides means better sturgeon fishing.	3. Mothball Fleet — Plenty of strikers being had.	4. Rio Vista — Becoming a decent spot for strikers.
5. Power Lines — Sturgeon have been plentiful.	6. Antioch Marina — Some largemouths have been caught.	7. Contra Loma Reservoir — Nice place for trout, black bass.	8. Lafayette Reservoir — Conditions are improving every week.

bass anglers have been doing best at Decker Island and Rio Vista.

Bernadette Pipkins of Golcha! Bait in Antioch has had several people bring in keepers over the past two weeks. Catching strikers were Dave Dyer (two totaling 41 pounds) using grass shrimp (7.32 pounds) using grass shrimp at Broad Slough, Shirley Kennedy (two totaling 11.5 pounds) using anchovies at Cabin Slough and Jamie and Mike Gee (four totaling 21.5 pounds) at Collinsville using grass shrimp and Billy Garner (two totaling 7 pounds) using grass shrimp at Domtar.

Kenny Peacock caught five largemouth bass (about 2 pounds each) and two strikers (5 pounds each) using rubber worms bass at the Antioch Marina. Peacock then went back a few days later with his son, Jordan, and they combined to catch 10 black bass and three strikers.

Catching sturgeon were Bill Moore (31 pounds) at Chain Island with grass shrimp, Gary Howard (66.5 pounds, 67 inches) on grass shrimp at the Pittsburg PG&E plant, Candy Boyer (42 pounds, 59 inches) on ghost shrimp at the Pittsburg PG&E plant and Tommy Rau (42 pounds) and Ron Leal (42.7 pounds) at Collinsville using grass and ghost shrimp. Rau also caught a 8.9 pound steeper and Sterling Bland caught a 6-pound black bass using redworms at Contra Loma Reservoir.

## THE LAKES

**LAKE CHABOT, CASTRO VALLEY:** The staff at Lake Chabot said trout fishing has been great. Many anglers are getting fish in the 4-6 pound range, and a few limits are being brought in. Trolling near Half Moon Bay with a broken back Rapala has been productive. Bait anglers are also doing well. PowerBait with an 18-inch leader, fished near Coots Landing is the hot setup. Catching trout were Josh Coates of Castro Valley (5.73 pounds) while trolling near the island with a broken back Rapala and Brian Strubns of Concord (7.8 pounds) on a broken back Rapala while trolling in Half Moon Bay.

Catfishing has been excellent. Catching catfish were Pamela Fields of

Hayward (17.66 pounds) on cutworms, Mike McNeal of Castro Valley (16.5 pounds) using anchovies, Kenny of San Lorenzo (10.48 pounds) mackerel fishing near the island, Embury of San Lorenzo (10 pounds) using nightcrawlers near the island.

There are plenty of blugill, about size 14 hook and a tiny piece of crawler or red worms and a bob about 18 inches away from the hook. Blugill stay by tules in shallow water. Raccoon Point and across from Landing are great places to try the hook.

**LOS VAQUEROS, BREWSTER:** The staff at Los Vaqueros said there has been a bit slow. Things slowed up this week even though it's supposed to rain on and off. The first antioch derby is scheduled for today, 11/18.

The ADA pier and the rock wall remained the backbone for strong looking for trout or bass. Trout have found success in Howden Cove near the dam.

Nathan Ridola of San Jose caught a 4.32-pound largemouth bass in Howden Cove in a boat using crickets. Salas of San Jose caught a catfish in a boat using nightcrawlers.

**LAFAYETTE RESERVOIR:** The staff at the Lafayette Reservoir said anglers are reeling fish after another. A lake record (1.1 pounds) was caught with nightcrawlers off the L. Dock by Nara and Steve Adams of Concord. The big trout are being caught in the Cove. Matt Keetle of Lafayette caught a 15-pound trout on a bass lure south side of the East Cove in the water. Dennis Miron from Pleasant caught a 10.4-pound catfish from the middle of the lake. The lake remains in the south end. Joe Hahn caught a 5.2-pound bass in the Cove using a rubber worm.

**FROM THE LIVELAKE:** The 58th annual Bethel Island Chamber of Commerce fish derby from Saturday through Nov. 26 is \$15. For more information, call 684-3220.

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## Movies

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band through a murderous series of tests of compassion. He must show growth, as a man, in every step, or his wife dies. — R. Moore. (R: strong grisly violence and gore, sequences of terror and torture, nudity and language.) 1 hour, 47 minutes. **C**

**"THE SCIENCE OF SLEEP":** An aggravating, semi-biographical film from writer/director Michel Gondry. A young man (Gael Garcia Bernal) returns to his childhood home in Paris, takes a lousy job at a calendar company and develops crushes on a couple of girls, including the one (Charlotte Gainsbourg) who lives in the apartment across the hall from him. But mostly, he dreams, and while some of the surreal touches from his dreams are fun to look at, ultimately the movie lacks an emotional entry point. — M. Pols. (R: language, some sexual content and nudity.) 1 hour, 46 minutes. **C-**

**"SHORTBUS":** Sex is easy in the world of John Cameron Mitchell's

"Shortbus," where the deed is as explicit as many hard-core porn flicks. It's the emotional connection that is tough to come by. The film is not pornography, though some may call it porn with a better narrative disguise. The characters are genuine and likable, and despite their lusty alternative lifestyles, their problems and perplexities are familiar. — D. Germain. (NR: scenes of explicit sex.) 1 hour, 42 minutes. **B+**

**"STRANGER THAN FICTION":** An IRS auditor (Will Ferrell) starts hearing a voice in his head, a British woman (Emma Thompson) who seems to be narrating his life. He's got to find her, because she's planning on killing him. Director Marc Forster and screenwriter Zach Helm will be accused of imitating Charlie Kaufman, and certainly there's a similarity to these meta-fictions, but this comedy is more a gentle tease than a mind twister. Thompson is as sharp and smart as ever, while Ferrell plays the straight man with aplomb. Dustin Hoffman and Maggie Gyllenhaal are both delightful in supporting roles. — M. Pols. (PG-13: some disturbing images, sexuality, brief language and nudity.) 1 hour, 45 minutes. **A-**

## Events

**Pyramid Alehouse, Berkeley** — "Unfiltered Comedy with Oul Be Negroes." Ongoing. The San Francisco Improv Alliance presents this weekly evening of comedy, improv and theater. Thursdays, 8 p.m. \$10-\$15. [www.improvalliance.org](http://www.improvalliance.org). "Unfiltered Comedy with SPFT." Ongoing. The San Francisco Improv Alliance presents this weekly evening of comedy, improv and theater. Sunday, 6 p.m. \$10-\$15. [www.improvalliance.org](http://www.improvalliance.org). 901 Gilman St., Berkeley.

**Shattuck Down Low** — "Live Salsa." Ongoing. An evening of dancing to the music of a live salsa band. The night opens with beginning lessons at 8 p.m. and intermediate lessons at 8:45 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. \$5-\$10. For ages 21 and older. 2284 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-548-1159. [www.shattuckdownlow.com](http://www.shattuckdownlow.com).

**Starry Plough Pub** — "Celtic and Dance." Ongoing. Traditional Irish music and dance. The evening begins with dance lesson at 7 p.m. followed by music at 9 p.m. Mondays, 7 p.m. Free. For ages 21 and over unless otherwise noted. Sunday and Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday, 9:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-841-2082. [www.starryploughpub.com](http://www.starryploughpub.com).

**Hertz Hall At The University Of California, Berkeley** — "The 54th Annual Noon Concert Series." through Dec. 6, 12:15-1 p.m. Nov. 29: Department ensembles present traditional and contemporary music for gamelan orchestra directed by Midiyanto. Free. <http://class.csueastbay.edu/music>. Berkeley Contemporary Chamber Players, Nov. 20, 8 p.m. Under the direction of David Milnes, Bay Area proponents of contemporary music will perform works by composers in the Berkeley New Music Project. \$4-\$12. UC Berkeley campus, Bancroft Way and College Avenue, Berkeley.

**Mills College Music Department And The Center For Contemporary Music** — Concerts take place in the Concert Hall unless otherwise noted. Joelle Leandre, Nov. 17, 8 p.m. The celebrated French double bass player, improviser and composer will be joined by pianist Chris Brown, flutist Maggi Payne, saxophonist Philip Greenleaf, vocalist Lauren Newton and percussionist Gino Robair. \$6-\$12. Mills College, 5000 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland. 510-430-2296. [www.mills.edu](http://www.mills.edu).

**Music Sources** — Flauti Diversi, Nov. 18, 8 p.m. The chamber ensemble presents "Classical Rhapsody," a program of quartets for flute, strings and harpsichord by Bach and Mozart. \$15-\$18. 1000 The Alameda at Marin, Berkeley. 510-528-1685.

**Oakland Asian Cultural Center** — China's Spirit Music Ensemble, Nov. 18, 7 p.m. The first-ever concert of China's Spirit Music Ensemble students and local Chinese artists. Special guests include student musicians from School of the Arts in San Francisco and Wanyung Guo, Sheng soloist and current director of the Great Wall Youth Orchestra. \$15-\$30. Free. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Pacific Renaissance Plaza, 388 Ninth St., Suite 290, Oakland. 510-637-0455. [www.oacc.cc](http://www.oacc.cc).

**St. Alban's Episcopal Church** — Alan Curtis, harpsichord, Nov. 19, 5:30 p.m. An all-Bach program. \$15-\$18. St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 1501 Washington Ave., Albany.

**St. John's Presbyterian Church** — Sandra Soderlund, Nov. 19, 4 p.m. The keyboardist will perform works of William Byrd, Orlando Gibbons, John Bull, Dietrich Buxtehude, Jan Pieterzoon Sweelinck, Pierre du Mage and J.S. Bach. \$5-\$15 donation. 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 510-845-6830. [www.stjohns.presbychurch.net](http://www.stjohns.presbychurch.net).

**Zellerbach Hall At The University Of California, Berkeley** — "The 2006 International Taiko Festival." Nov. 18, 7 p.m. Grand Master Seichi Tanaka, San Francisco Taiko Dojo and special guest artists will storm the stage and thrill audiences with performances of traditional and contemporary rhythms, dance and martial arts. \$32-\$46. 510-642-9988. tickets.berkeley.edu. UC Berkeley

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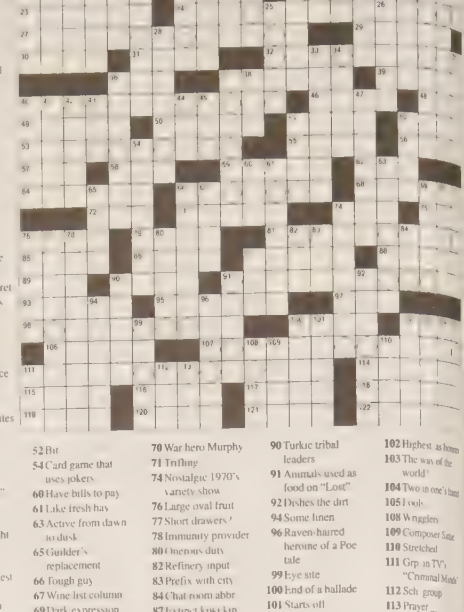
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**Albatross Pub** — Whiskey Brothers, Ongoing. Old-time and bluegrass. First and third Wednesdays of

every month. Free. Shows begin Wednesday, 9 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 1822 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 510-843-2473. [www.albatrosspub.com](http://www.albatrosspub.com).

**Anna's Jazz Island** — Lulu Hadar with the Jason Martineau Jazz Trio, Nov. 17, 8 p.m. \$10; one drink minimum. \$5 to \$7 unless otherwise noted. 2120 Allston Way, Berkeley. 510-841-JAZZ. [www.annasjazzisland.com](http://www.annasjazzisland.com).

**Ashkenaz** — Reggae Angels, Nov. 17, 9:30 p.m. \$11-\$13. Kalbasskreyol and Rasine Bambou, Nov. 18, 9:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m.: Kompa dance lesson. \$12-\$15. Motordude Zydeco, Gerard Landry and the Lariats, Andrew Carriere and the Cajun All-Stars, Nov. 21, 8:30 p.m. A benefit concert for RC Carrier. 8 p.m.: Cajun dance lesson.

\$10-\$20. "Bio-Bluegrass," Nov. 22, 8:30 p.m. Featuring Three Mile Grade, Barefoot Nellies and mystery headliner. Stompy Jones, Nov. 24, 9:30 p.m. 8 p.m.: Swing dance lesson. West African Highlife Band, Nov. 25, 9:30 p.m. 9 p.m.: African dance lesson. Asheba, Nov. 26, 3-4:30 p.m. \$4-\$6. 1317 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 510-525-5054. [www.ashkenaz.com](http://www.ashkenaz.com).

**Beckett's Irish Pub** — Rock & Roll with Nicole, Ongoing. Saturday evenings. All your favorites from the 60s, 70s, 80s, and 90s. Free. Shows at 9:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 2271 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-647-1790. [www.beckettsirishpub.com](http://www.beckettsirishpub.com).

**Downtown Restaurant** — Bill Bell Trio, Nov. 17. Maya Kronfeld, Nov. 18. Ellen Honart Trio, Nov. 24. Eddie Mar-

shall Trio, Nov. 25. Free unless otherwise noted. Tuesday through Thursday, 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 2102 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-848-3810. [www.downtownrestaurant.com](http://www.downtownrestaurant.com).

**Freight And Salvage** — John Gorka, Nov. 17 through Nov. 18. \$22.50-\$23.50. Paul Arnold, Nov. 19. \$17.50-\$18.50. Tracy Grammer, Nov. 22. \$18.50-\$19.50. Shana Monson, Nov. 24. \$18.50-\$19.50. Laurie Lee and Tom Rozum, Nov. 25. \$17.50-\$19.50. Bluehouse, Nov. 26. \$17.50-\$18.50. Music starts at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 1111 Addison St., Berkeley. 510-448-1761. [www.freightandsalvage.org](http://www.freightandsalvage.org).

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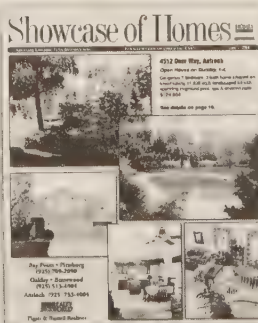
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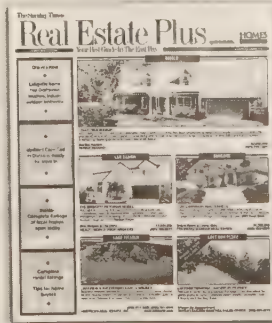
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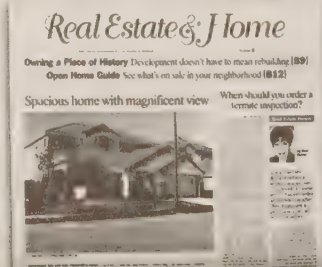
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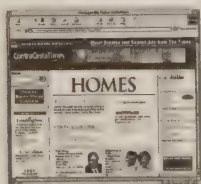
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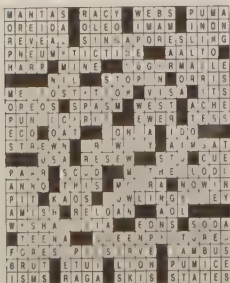
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**Legends Night** — Ongoing. 8 p.m. — midnight. Enjoy live blues music Monday night. Presented by the Bay Area Blues Society, 555 Broadway, Oakland, 510-836-2227, www.bayareabluesociety.net, 522 2nd St., Jack London Square, Oakland.

**La Pena Cultural Center** — Linda Murray and The Cultural Heritage Choir, Nov. 18, 8 p.m. \$15. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-849-2568, www.lapena.org

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**Shattuck Down Low** — "Live Music" Ongoing. An evening of dance music featuring live salsa bands. The night opens with beginning salsa at 8 p.m. and intermediate salsa at 9 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Ashken, Young Pz, Burn, Mr. Sayre, Richie Cunningham, Nov. 17, 9 p.m. \$5. For ages 21 and older. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-841-2082, www.shattuckdownlow.com.

**Starry Plough Pub** — The Starry Plough Music Session led by Shay Glick, Ongoing. Sundays, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. For ages 21 and over. Salsa otherwise noted. Sunday and Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Thursday and Saturday, 9:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-841-2082, www.starryploughpub.com

**Yoshi's** — Hubert Laws, through Nov. 19. \$14-\$26. Ben Goldberg Trio, Nov. 20, 8 p.m. \$39-\$67.75. Head Royce Jazz Bands, Nov. 21, \$10-\$20. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-841-2082, www.yoshis.com

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The Starlight Club," Nov. 18, 7 p.m. Enjoy an evening of dancing, food and live music by Chabot alum, rising star Ledi and the Chabot College Jazz Band. \$125. 510-723-8802. 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward. www.chabotcollege.edu.

**Cody's Books, Fourth Street** — Harry Shearer, Nov. 26, 5 p.m. The author discusses "Not Enough Indians." Free unless otherwise noted. Readings at 7 p.m. unless noted otherwise. 1730 Fourth St., Berkeley. 510-559-9500, www.codybooks.com.

**Freight And Salvage** — Shana Morrison, Nov. 24, \$18.50-\$19.50. Music starts at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 1111 Addison St., Berkeley. 510-548-1761, www.freightandsalvage.org.

**Hertz Hall At The University Of California, Berkeley** — Berkeley Contemporary Chamber Players, Nov. 20, 8 p.m. Under the direction of David Milnes, Bay Area proponents of contemporary music will perform works by composers in the Berkeley New Music Project. \$4-\$12. UC Berkeley campus, Bancroft Way and College Avenue, Berkeley.

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**Mills College Music Department And The Center For Contemporary Music** — Concerts take place in the Concert Hall unless otherwise noted. Joelle Leandre, Nov. 17, 8 p.m. The celebrated French double bass player, improviser and composer will be joined by pianist Chris Brown, flutist Maggi Paine, saxophonist Phillip Greenfield, vocalist Lauren Newton and percussionist Gino Robair. \$6-\$12. Mills College, 5000 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland. 510-430-2296, www.mills.edu.

**Oakland Arena** — Dixie Chicks, Nov. 17, 8 p.m. \$47.25-\$71.25. Hegenberger Road and Interstate 880, Oakland. 510-762-2277, 925-762-2277, 415-478-2277, www.theoaklandarena.com.

**Oakland Asian Cultural Center** — China's Spirit Music Ensemble, Nov. 7, 7 p.m. The first-ever concert of China's Spirit Music Ensemble students and local Chinese artists. Special guests include student musicians from School of the Arts in San Francisco and Wangpeng Guo, Sheng soloist and current director of the Great Wall Youth Orchestra. \$15-\$30. Free. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Pacific Renaissance Plaza, 388 Ninth St., Suite 290, Oakland. 510-637-0455, www.oaacc.org.

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**Yoshi's** — Tuck and Patti, Nov. 24 through Nov. 26. \$22-\$26. Shows are Monday through Saturday, 8 and 10 p.m.; Sunday, 7 and 9 p.m., unless otherwise noted. 510 Embarcadero West, Oakland. 510-238-9200, www.yoshis.com.

**Z Cafi And Bar** — "The 4th Annual Black & White (&/or Red) Ball," Nov. 18, 6-11:30 p.m. The evening includes cocktails, a dance lesson, dinner and 1940s ballroom, swing and Latin music by the 18-piece Oz Ramsey Bay Area Big Band. \$45-\$85. 510-523-5587, www.dancewithme.info. 2735 Broadway, Oakland. 510-663-2905, www.zcafiandbar.com.

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## STAGE

**Actors Ensemble Of Berkeley** — "Hedda Gabler," by Henrik Ibsen, through Nov. 18. Hedda is a spirited, independent young woman and the daughter of a general. She has married a stable, honest professor who just can't keep up with her imagination and tenacity. The story offers a glimpse into life at the turn of the century, the place of women in society, and the politics of the home. Friday-Saturday and Nov. 16, 8 p.m. \$12 general; \$10 students and seniors. Live Oak Theatre, 1301 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-649-5999, www.aetofberkeley.org.

**Aurora Theatre Company** — "Ice Glen," by Joan Ackermann, through Dec. 10. A West Coast premiere. Set in a countryside mansion in Lenox, the play traces a love triangle between the mansion's proprietress Dulce Bainbridge, "Atlantic Monthly" editor Peter Woodburn, and the estate's reclusive poet/gardener Sarah. Wednesday-Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 and 7 p.m. \$38-\$50. Aurora Theatre, 2081 Addison St., Berkeley. 510-843-4822, www.auroratheatre.org.

**Berkeley City Club** — "Andre-mache," by Gary Graves, through Nov. 19. Graves' new adaptation of Jean Racine's neoclassic about an unrequited love chain. Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 5 p.m. \$9-\$25. 510-558-1381, www.centralworks.org. 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley.

**Berkeley Repertory Theatre** — "Berkeley Rep's Monthly Theatre Classes," through June 3, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The monthly theatre workshop family series will focus on a variety of skills, from storytelling to circus acts. Sept. 9, Oct. 1, Nov. 5, Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1, May 6 and June 3. "Passing Strange," by Stew, Heidi Rodewald, through Dec. 3. A world premiere. The heartfelt and humorous story of a young black bohemian and his search for "the real" through sex, drugs and rock and roll. Post-play discussions will follow 8 p.m. performances on Nov. 9, Nov. 21 and Nov. 24. Docent presentations about the show will be held every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Tuesday, 8 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Thursday and Saturday, 2 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 and 7 p.m. NO PERFORMANCES Nov. 23. No matinee performances Oct. 26, Nov. 4, Nov. 9, Nov. 18 and Nov. 23. \$33-\$61. 2025 Addison St., Berkeley. 510-647-2949, 888-481-Tickets, www.berkeleyrep.org.

**Cal Performances** — All performances in Zellerbach Hall unless otherwise noted. Golden Dragon Acrobats, Nov. 24 through Nov. 26. China's acclaimed acrobatic troupe performs breathtaking acts such as plate-spinning, bicycle pagoda, umbrella juggling and much more. The performance combines these acrobatic feats with theatrical techniques and traditional Chinese dance. Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 2 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. \$22-\$42. Zellerbach Hall, University of California, Berkeley, Bancroft Way at Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley. 510-642-9988, www.calperfs.berkeley.edu.

**Egypt Theatre Arts Center** — "Don't Dress for Dinner," through Nov. 25. The married Bernard attempts to sneak off with his model girlfriend and a hired chef for a weekend getaway. He even brings his best friend Robert to provide an alibi. All seems well for Bernard until the cook is mistaken for the mistress and the mistress can't cook. Not to mention Bernard's wife is carrying on her own affair with Robert. Friday-Saturday, 6 p.m. dinner and 8 p.m. show; Sunday, 5 p.m. dinner and 7 p.m. show. \$15 show only; \$25 dinner and show. 5300 Foothill Blvd., Oakland.

**Impact Theatre** — "Jukebox Stories," by Prince Gomolivas and Brandon Patton, through Dec. 13. The performance features stories by Gomolivas and songs by Patton covering a range of subjects, from Hoosiers girls and outlaw family members to evil love spells and sacred cows. Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m. \$10-\$15. La Val's Subterranean Theatre, 1834 Euclid St., Berkeley. 510-464-4468, www.impacttheatre.com.

**Julia Morgan Center For The Arts** — Splash Circus Theatre Presents

"Little Nemo in Circusland," Nov. 24 through Dec. 3. This family circus production, featuring trapeze acts, juggling and acrobatics, follows Nemo through a dream world as he seeks out adventures. On his way, Nemo meets friends and foes, ranging from clowns and pirates to mermaids and storks. Inspired by Winsor McCay's classic comic strips and adapted by Doyle Oat. Nov. 24, 7 p.m.; Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. \$8-\$14. 925-798-1300. 2640 College Ave., Berkeley. 510-845-8542, www.juliarmorgan.org.

**La Pena Cultural Center** — "Things Taken, Rethinking Thanksgiving: A People's Holiday Event," Nov. 19, 7 p.m. Local artists present poetry, music, visual art and hip hop theatre on themes of Indian American resistance, white privilege and the history of Thanksgiving. \$10-\$25. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-849-2568, www.lapena.org.

**Old Oakland Theatre** — "Criminal Genius," by George F. Walker, through Nov. 19. A play about inept petty criminals who are hired to reduce competition among rival restaurateurs, but who bungle the job by attempting to add their own flare. Soon they find themselves on a downward spiral as every attempt to right the situation results in more failure and confusion. Presented by TheatreFirst Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. \$21-\$25. 461 Ninth St. at Broadway, Oakland.

**The Marsh Berkeley** — "Rude Boy," by Azeem, through Nov. 25. Hip hop/spoken word artist Azeem presents his first full-length theatre piece, which tells the tale of Johnny Burke, a Jamaican-American factory worker whose life moves through dark alleyways and twisted corridors, from the streets to an insane asylum. Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m. \$15-\$22. The Gaia Building, 2120 Alston Way, Berkeley. Info: 415-826-5750, Tickets: 800-838-3006, www.themarsh.org.

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**Auctions By The Bay** — "Artifacts: A Lecture Series for Collectors," Ongoing. Guest curators, scholars and conservation experts from throughout the Bay Area discuss the art of collecting. First Sunday of every month, 3 p.m. \$7. Auctions by the Bay Theater-Auction House, 2700 Saratoga St., Alameda. 510-835-6187, www.auctionsbythebay.com.

**Badarikashrama** — "Thanksgiving Vegetarian Dinner at Badarikashrama," Nov. 23, 3 p.m. A "veena" recital with Srikanth Chary, founder of Nada Nidhi Music School, will follow the vegetarian dinner. Chary will be accompanied by percussionist Ramesh Srinivasan. Free. 15602 Maubert Ave., San Leandro. 510-278-2444, www.badarikashrama.org.

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**Cottage In The Woods Preschool** — "Annual Arts and Crafts Faire," Nov. 18, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The event features ceramic and glass works, jewelry, scarves and hats, ornaments, wreaths, children's activities and more. Friday, 6-9 p.m.: Adults only preview sale. Free. 3917 Lyman Road, Oakland. 510-531-3121.

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**Jewish Community Center Of The East Bay** — Jennifer Kantor, Nov. 17, 6-8 p.m. Singer and puppeteer Jennifer Kantor leads a community Shabbat celebration. R.S.V.P. by Nov. 15. \$3-\$5. 510-848-0237 X134. 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley. 510-848-0237, www.bjcc.org.

**La Pena Cultural Center** — "The 12th Annual Womyn of Color Arts and Crafts Show," Nov. 25 and Nov. 26, 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. View and purchase original hand-crafted paintings, clay sculptures, textiles, jewelry and wearable art. Free. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 510-849-2568, www.lapena.org.

**Lawrence Hall Of Science** — Ongoing Exhibits — "NanoZone," ongoing. Discover the science of the super-small: nanotechnology. Through hands-on activities and games, explore this microworld and the scientific discoveries made in this area. "Forces That Shape the Bay," ongoing. A science park that shows and explains why the San Francisco Bay is the way it is, with information on water, erosion, plate tectonics and mountain building. You can ride earthquake simulators, set erosion in motion and look far out into the bay with a powerful telescope from 1,100 feet above sea level. The center of the exhibit is a waterfall that demonstrates how water flows from the Sierra Nevada Mountains to the Bay. Visitors can control where the water goes. There are also hands-on erosion tables, and a 40-foot-long, 6-foot-high, rock compression wall. "Real Astronomy Experience," ongoing. A new exhibit-in-development allowing visitors to use the tools that real astronomers use. Aim a telescope at a virtual sky and operate a remote-controlled telescope to measure and planet. "Biology Lab," ongoing. In the renovated Biology Lab visitors may hold and observe gentle animals. Saturday, Sunday and holidays, 1:30

p.m. to 4 p.m. "The Idea Lab," ongoing. Experiment with some of the basics of math, science and technology through hands-on activities and demonstrations of magnets, spinning and flying, puzzles and nanotechnology. "Math Around the World," ongoing. Play some of the world's most popular math games, such as Hex, Kalah, Game Sticks and Shongo Networks. "Math Rules," ongoing. Use simple and colorful objects to complete interesting challenges in math through predicting, sorting, comparing, weighing and counting.

**Holt Planetarium** — Ongoing. Shows on Saturdays and Sundays. Programs recommended for ages 8 and up unless otherwise noted; children under age 6 will not be admitted to any show except "Flying High" and "Journey to the Moon." \$2.50-\$3 in addition to general admission. "Constellations Tonight," Ongoing. Learn to identify the most prominent constellations of the season in the planetarium sky with a simple star map. "A Sky Full of Stars," Ongoing. Learn how distance can affect the apparent size of things. At nightfall, stargaze at the Moon, the Big Dipper and imaginary pictures in the stars. Recommended for ages 4-7. "Colors from Space," Ongoing. Learn what colors can tell us about the stars and planets. Special Exhibit — "Kapla," Ongoing. The hands-on exhibit features thousands of versatile building blocks that can be used to build very large, high and stable structures and models of bridges, buildings, animals or anything else your mind can conceive. \$5.50-\$9.50; free for children ages 2 and under. Daily, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. University of California, Berkeley, Centennial Drive, Berkeley. 510-642-5132, www.lawrencehallscience.org

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- Fried Chicken** \$6.95  
Choice of French Fries, Mashed Potatoes, Cole Slaw, a small green salad OR cup of soup
- Fish & Chips** \$5.95  
Choice of Cole Slaw OR a small green salad

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Potatoes, Baked Potato, French Fries or  
Jasmine Rice

\*Fresh Steamed Vegetables

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**SALMON**

served with lemon caper sauce

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**PETRALE SOLE DORE**

served with lemon caper sauce

**BLACKENED SNAPPER**

marinated in Cajun spice (spicy)

**SNAPPER**

served with lemon caper sauce

**CALAMARI STEAK DORE**

served with lemon caper sauce

**GOLDEN FRIED OYSTERS**

made with homemade batter

**GOLDEN FRIED PRAWNS**

made with homemade batter

**CHICKEN MARSALA**

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**Pier 29**  
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## BREAKFAST SPECIAL

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All breakfasts served with home style potatoes, jasmine rice, fresh fruit  
Choice of toast: white, wheat, rye and sourdough

### TRADITIONAL BREAKFASTS

#### TWO EGGS, ANY STYLE WITH:

Bacon or Sausage or Ham, Beef Patty,  
Homemade Italian Sausage Patty (hot or mild)  
Homemade Corn Beef Hash, Homemade Chicken Fried Steak

### OMELETTES

Denver Omelette - bell pepper, cheese, ham & onion  
Ham & Cheese Omelette

### BENEDICTS

Two poached eggs served over a Thomas English muffin, topped with hollandaise sauce and served with homestyle potatoes and fresh fruit

### FRENCH TOAST OR PANCAKE DELUXE

French Toast with a choice of bacon, ham or sausage  
Pancakes with a choice of bacon, ham or sausage  
additional choice of topping: apple, banana, blueberry or strawberry (\$1.00 extra)

### PIER 29 CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Includes: Fresh Fruit, Fresh Squeezed Orange Juice, Fresh Ground Coffee and choice of Fresh Baked Blueberry Muffin or Banana Oatbran Muffin

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**12 NOON UNTIL 7PM**



Special dinner with soup  
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**Roasted Turkey \$16.95**

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Entrees include all the trimmings:

Homemade mashed potatoes and gravy, bread stuffing, Sweet potatoes with marshmallows, Green bean vegetable and Cranberry sauce

Dessert:

Homemade Pumpkin Pudding

Full dinner menu available also,  
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**12 Noon until 7pm**

Special dinner with soup  
or salad and dessert

**Roasted Turkey \$16.95**

**Honey Baked Ham \$16.95**

Entrees include all the trimmings:

Homemade mashed potatoes and gravy,  
bread stuffing, Sweet potatoes with  
marshmallows, Green bean vegetable  
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Dessert:

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### Pier 29 Waterfront Restaurant

MOVED TO NEW LOCATION

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Pier 29 Restaurant has recently moved to a beautiful new location at Ballena Bay in Alameda. The restaurant is uniquely located between the San Francisco Bay and the Ballena Bay Marina. It is conveniently accessible with plenty of free parking. A new exciting addition is the outdoor seating patio which overlooks the marina. There is a view of the water from every table inside or out! The new Pier 29 continues its reputation for good food, friendly service, and comfortable atmosphere. The theme in the kitchen is "good home-style cooking" using only the freshest ingredients. An extensive menu is offered featuring Prime rib, steaks, seafood, pasta, salads and much more. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are served daily along with the popular "Early Bird" menu. Banquet arrangements are available. Customers say that the new "Pier" is the best kept secret in town! The Pier is open 7 days a week. New business hours: Sun-Thurs. 9am-10pm. Fri-Sat. 9am-11pm. Weekend Brunch 9am-3pm.

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Salad:	Fresh Garden Salad with Shrimp, Walnuts and Cranberry served with Honey Pear Dressing	
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Entrée:	Honey Baked Ham with Pineapple Glaze Served with Garlic Mashed Potatoes	\$18.95
Entrée:	Center Cut Pork W/Seutéed Cabbage & Country Style Apple Sauce	\$18.95
Entrée:	Striped Bass Filet And Jumbo Garlic Prawns Served with Asparagus In Tomato-Pepper Sauce	\$24.95
Entrée:	Grilled Filet Mignon with Duck Pate Mousse De Canard Port Wine Reduction & Savory Spinach With Garlic Mashed Potatoes.	\$28.95
Desserts:	Choice of Pumpkin Pie with Spumoni Ice Cream or Pecan Pie with Vanilla Ice Cream	

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On DVDs

## 'Cars' drives home important lessons

### "CARS"

Emeryville's animation powerhouse Pixar has made another winner with "Cars," a charming film where all of the characters are motor vehicles. Owen Wilson is well cast as the voice of Lightning McQueen, a young turk race car that gets sidetracked in a small town along the famed Route 66 and learns to slow down and care about others. Nice messages for kids of all ages and, as with other Pixar films, "Cars" can be enjoyed by toddlers and grandparents alike. The DVD has a great soundtrack, featuring my 3-year-old daughter's favorite song, "Life is a Highway" (for months the phrase, "Want Highway!" was belted out daily as a request to hear the song). My one complaint is the robust running time of the film — it's about 30 minutes too long, and may test the attention span of some younger kids. But you would never know that judging by the number of trick-or-treaters who came to my house this year dressed in "Cars" costumes, a ringing endorsement to the film's allure for the kindergarten set. (G). 2 hours and 4 minutes.

**Ratings (out of 4 stars):**  
Overall: 3 stars  
Kids: 4 stars  
Teens: 2 stars  
Adults: 3 stars  
Seniors: 3 1/2 stars  
Should you rent it? Yes — A terrific film for the entire family.

### "MISSION IMPOSSIBLE: 3"

You've seen this DVD dozens of times: super slick good guy spies try to stop international bad guy's evil plot. But "MI:3" still manages to deliver despite traipsing on what is now a thread-bear plot line. This third installment of the Tom Cruise spy franchise is far less convoluted than the prior MI films, and the action stayed in fifth gear for the entire movie. I was never bored. The special effects were top-notch, and Philip Seymour Hoffman is predictably fabulous as the shadowy villain.

I only lament his relatively limited amount of screen time. I could have done with more of Hoffman's maniacal evil and less of Cruise's preening hero. Scenes of torture and a high body count make this a 12-and-older DVD. (PG-13: Violence). 2 hours and 6 minutes.

**Ratings (out of 4 stars):**  
Overall: 2 1/2 stars  
Kids: N/A  
Teens: 3 stars  
Adults: 2 1/2 stars  
Seniors: 2 stars  
Should you rent it? Yes — A lively action film that breaks no new ground but still entertains.

### "FRIENDS WITH MONEY"

This film could have been called "The trials and tribulations of wealthy Los Angeles women and their one poor friend." Jennifer Aniston plays the poor one in this female-focused DVD with a strong ensemble cast. The film has many interesting characters, but that turns out to be more of a curse than blessing, as the plot gets stretched a bit too thin. We learn enough to be interested in each of the women, but there isn't sufficient time to do any of their story lines real justice. Even Aniston's character never gets fully developed. Kids won't understand most of the movie, and teens will be bored. (R: Language and drug use). 1 hour and 28 minutes.

**Ratings (out of 4 stars):**  
Overall: 2 stars  
Kids: N/A  
Teens: 1 1/2 stars  
Adults: 2 stars  
Seniors: 2 stars  
Should you rent it? No — Click flick that doesn't click.

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"I heard Temple members on the radio and was just fascinated by them. I mean they sounded so sane and so normal." — Stanley Nelson, filmmaker



"IT WAS EMOTIONALLY DEVASTATING. It was a rough film to make," says documentarian Stanley Nelson.

## Survivors retell the 'Peoples' story

By Jennifer Modenessi  
STAFF WRITER

**W**HEN filmmaker Stanley Nelson first realized that Jim Jones, the preacher who shepherded his flock to mass death in the dense tropical jungles of Guyana, commanded an almost 80 percent black congregation, the main questions that shot through his mind were "How?" and "Why?"

How did a white preacher in segregated 1950s Indiana gain a following that broke through the barriers of race and class? And how could a community that fostered and practiced such utopian ideals as equal healthcare and housing for all be led to murder and suicide?

Nelson, director of the critically-acclaimed feature-length documentary "Jonestown: The Life and Death of Peoples Temple," says it was a radio program featuring surviving Temple members that made him want to address those questions and others

### PROFILE

■ **WHO:** Stanley Nelson  
■ **WHAT:** Director of "Jonestown: The Life and Death of Peoples Temple" (now playing at the Shattuck Cinemas in Berkeley)

he had about the tragedy. "It really started three years ago during the 25th anniversary of the deaths," said the 55-year-old Oakland resident. "I heard Temple members on the radio and was just fascinated by them. I mean they sounded so sane and so normal," Nelson recalled. "They talked about not joining the cult but joining something that had such high ideals for what, I thought, were the right reasons. I just became fascinated by it."

The award-winning filmmaker, whose documentaries include the semi-autobiographical "A Place of Our Own" and "The

Murder of Emmett Till," began sifting through Temple ephemera — much of it released by the U.S. government through the Freedom of Information Act. He was moved by what he saw.

"One of the first things I did was to see pictures of the people," Nelson said. "There were so many kinds of elderly African-American people, not the kind of people you would think would join any kind of cult at all," Nelson said. "I was wondering ... why would they join this thing?"

And then he saw the pictures of the man they called "Father" — Jim Jones.

"You couldn't make up Jim Jones," Nelson says of the ebony-haired man in the dark shades, "looking like Elvis. He's like Hannibal Lecter or something."

Trying to understand the connection between Jones and his followers, Nelson decided to let the story be told by the people who lived through it rather than

historians and pundits.

He began contacting Temple members and Jonestown survivors, including some who have been difficult to track down.

"African-American members have been kind of harder to find and have been a little more reticent to talk about it," Nelson said. "I think one of the reasons is that a lot of the African-American members were parts of huge families and family groups that had joined. They tended to have lost more."

He also interviewed people such as Jones' adopted son, Jim Jones Jr.; Vern Gosney, a Temple member who lost his son in Jonestown; and Jackie Speier, a former Congressional aide who survived the Guyanese airport runway attack that killed Congressman Leo J. Ryan and four others. Speier is now a state senator and assistant president pro tem of the California Senate.

In addition to the interviews, Nelson was granted access to

never-before-seen film made by Peoples Temple members that had been stored in attics and basements.

Despite its age, the film is vivid and clear. It shows the Temple members, ripe grapevines under the California sun. Children near brightly-colored and green banana plants late in the humid Guyanese rain.

Most chilling are the Temple members' words and at play. "Young white types and militant-looking black people with Afros" into the cameras as older couples dance to the soul gospel band. They give the impression that they're not irrevocably — on a path to death.

"In some ways when we made this film, we wanted to get the audience down to Guyana to see about the decision

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## Pacing, dialogue keep 'Ice Glen' on track

By Pat Craig  
STAFF WRITER

All right, suppose Shakespeare had needed shelf paper just as he finished "King Lear," or Ibsen had sloshed a couple of liters of ale on the carpet and used the only copy of "The Master Builder" to sop it up.

Would that make the works any less great?

Nope. Only nobody but their authors would know. That, in a sense, is what we have in poet Sarah Harding (Zehra Berkman). She has written bucketloads of great poetry, has Atlantic Monthly editor Peter Woodburn (Marvin C. Greene) drooling to publish a few of them, yet would rather see them buried or burned rather than printed.

It would be easy enough to simply chalk Sarah's reluctance up to artistic sensitivity. But there is so much going on, just beneath the surface, in "Ice Glen," Joan Ackermann's tasty new comic drama, that you want to learn a lot more about Sarah and the other quirky inhabitants of this crumbling Berkshire Cottage in western Massachusetts.

"Ice Glen," which had its West Coast premiere last week in

### THEATER REVIEW

■ **WHAT:** Aurora Theatre presents "Ice Glen," by Joan Ackermann  
■ **WHEN:** Wednesdays-Sundays through Dec. 10  
■ **WHERE:** 2081 Addison St., Berkeley  
■ **RUNNING TIME:** 2 1/4 hours  
■ **HOW MUCH:** \$38  
■ **CONTACT:** 510-843-4822, [www.auroratheatre.org](http://www.auroratheatre.org)

Berkeley's Aurora Theatre, unfolds almost like a piece of music, with the pacing and rhythm of the play being almost as important, and certainly as significant as the dialogue that is spoken.

Ackermann is quite a stylist, who turns a fascinating yarn in an unusual style that can easily raise as many questions as it answers.

For example, how did this crew of household employees happen to come along to work in the home of Dulce Bainbridge (Lauren Grace), owner of the ramshackle place? There is Grayson (Julian Lopez-Morillas), the manservant, who spends his



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**LAUREN GRACE** and Marvin C. Greene star in "Ice Glen," a comic drama being performed at Berkeley's Aurora Theatre.

days keeping the house in precise order, and his evenings restoring Indian artifacts, so he can return them to their rightful owners.

Mrs. Roswell (Jessica Powell) has been with the family forever — she cooks and cleans, and harbors more household secrets than the Port of Oakland harbors cargo ships. Denby (Douglas B. Giorgis) is an extremely mentally slow young man, who has a mysterious relationship with Sarah.

And Dulce, the lady of the manor, is a friendly woman with a surprising number of unmet needs, something she proves handsily when she shows off her watercolors to Woodburn and ends up in a woodburning liplock with the big city editor.

All of these things come together like gears in a clock, ticking like a timebomb that will eventually explode and leave the shambles of a house in ruins.

Aurora's founder and former artistic director Barbara Oliver directs the show, energizing the piece's natural flow and rhythm, and giving the cast an opportunity to create rich characterizations, while retaining a bit of mystery.

Lopez-Morillas and Greene are rock-solid in their roles, Powell creates a sympathetic and funny character, and Grace builds herself into a charming and frustrating series of contradictions.

Reach Pat Craig at 925-945-4736 or [pcraig@cctimes.com](mailto:pcraig@cctimes.com).

### CONCERT REVIEW

## Composer Zorn paints tuneful portrait

By Georgia Rowe  
CORRESPONDENT

Contemporary "classical" music can cover a wide range, sometimes in a single piece. The John Zorn concert at Hertz Hall on the University of California campus was an excellent example.

Presented by Cal Performances as part of the UC Portrait series, Sunday's hour program offered a glimpse into the composer's far-flung musical landscape. A sizable crowd of about 600 people, many of them recent converts, packed a congenial lineup of the West Coast artists.

Zorn, whose music rates elements of jazz, punk and klezmer, expanded on improvisational, experimental film music, was on hand for a sprightly guiding of the proceedings. Appearing on stage in a purple t-shirt and camouflage pants, the 40-year-old composer introduced

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Section D

## Nissan is in the driver's seat with the all-new 2007 Altima

BY CONNIE KEANE

**MOTOR MATTERS**  
The 2007 Altima is not the run-of-the-mill sedan. It is well styled inside and outside — and it's tuned for driving like a sports car.

There are six models, with prices starting at \$20,950 for the Altima 2.5 and ending at \$28,400 for the top-of-the-line 3.5 SL.

The Altima 3.5 SE, equipped with a 260-hp V6 engine and sport-tuned suspension, is a mountain of roadways. It's got uphill and downhill conditioning, quick transmission, on-shift steering, on-center steering response and good handling on 17-inch wheels. The front-wheel drive sedan felt just as fun-to-drive-capable as the rear-wheel drive sports

sedan. The Altima is slightly smaller than the one it replaces. Marketing executives say one of the reasons the car is smaller is because female buyers had the appearance of large-

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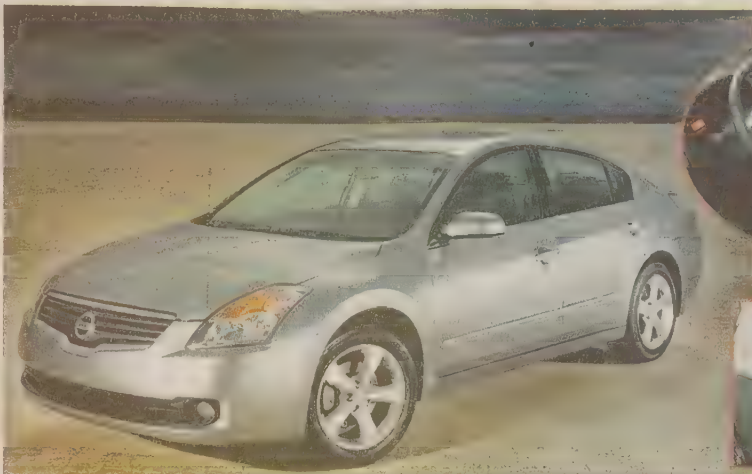
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### NISSAN'S 2007 ALTIMA

is well styled inside and outside — and it's tuned for drivers who really like to drive. Altima's front row, top left and restyled rear, bottom left.

### KEANE ON WHEELS

chrome accents.

The standard engine is the 16-valve, 2.5-liter four-cylinder that generates 175 horsepower at 5,600 rpm and 180 pounds-foot of torque at 3,900 rpm. This engine is mated to a six-speed manual transmission with a Continuously Variable Transmission offered as a \$500 option.

The Altima 3.5 SE and 3.5 SL models are equipped with a 24-valve 3.5-liter V6 engine, mated to either a six-speed manual transmission or a CVT. This powerplant is tuned to produce a satisfying 270 horsepower at 6,000 rpm and 258 pounds-foot of torque at 4,400 rpm.

Nissan's six-speed manual transmission would be a good choice for buyers who like to shift through shorter shift strokes. The CVT is new hardware for the Altima, replacing the previous conven-

### NISSAN ALTIMA 3.5 SE

Vehicle Type	Five-passenger, front-wheel drive, midsize sedan
Suggested Retail	\$24,500
Price As Tested	\$31,545
Engine Type	24-valve DOHC V6 w/SMPFI
Horsepower	270 @ 6,000 rpm
Torque	258 @ 4,400 rpm
Transmission	CVT
Wheelbase	109 inches
Height	58 inches
Curb Weight	3,334 pounds
Fuel Capacity	20 gallons
Mileage	City/highway 20/29

tional automatic transmission. The CVT used on the V6 engine has sport mode and adaptive shift controllers, allowing for faster shifting points for a responsive, sport-oriented, fun-to-drive feel.

Altima now has active head restraints,

roof-mounted impact curtains, front seat side-impact airbags and dual-stage front airbags. Anti-lock brakes with brake assist and electronic brakeforce distribution are standard on the V6 models and optional on the four-cylinder Altimas.

Available conveniences include a backup camera, sunroof, choice of XM or Sirius satellite radio, Bluetooth phone system, eight-way power driver's seat, leather appointed seats and steering wheel, dual climate controls and heated seats. A fully loaded Altima can ring in at just over \$32,000.

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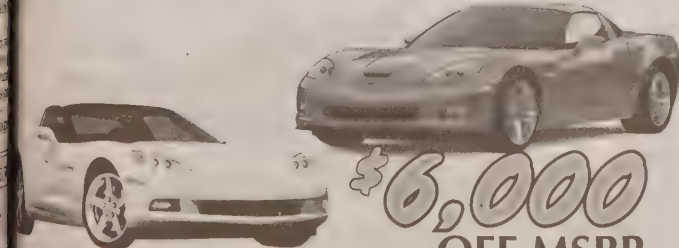


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# Finding 1980 Mercedes-Benz 450 SLC

BY VERN PARKER  
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Rebecca Feldman is a discerning woman. She knows what she likes, even when she has little or no knowledge of the subject at hand. Years ago, after seeing a picture of a Mercedes-Benz 450 SLC, she informed her husband Jack that it was the car for her.

Feldman was later amazed that she never saw one of the distinctive cars on the road or in parking lots. Only once did she spy one, while on vacation in Florida. She thought it was even prettier than in the picture.

In 1998, her husband was visiting a client in Maryland when the client's wife asked him to move his car that was blocking her car in the garage. As he moved his car, the garage door opened and beside her new car was a 1980 Mercedes-Benz 450 SLC. "That's my wife's car," he thought, remembering her declaration of years before.

He learned that the client purchased the stylish car new in 1980 and the base price was \$41,033. He says the only option on the well-appointed car was the electric sun-shine roof, which this car has. He

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discovered that the 16-foot, 4.5-inch-long car had been driven only about 58,000 miles — 45,000 of those miles in the first nine years. After that Mercedes parked more than it was driven until finally, in 1992, it was driven into the garage where it sat for six years.

Jack Feldman explained to the owner that the Mercedes was his wife's dream car and asked if he could possibly purchase it. He was informed that there was a long list of people who had already expressed interest in the car if it should ever be put up for sale. The husband persevered and, along with his wife, was finally granted an interview with the owners. It quickly became obvious that the original owners were seeking a good home for their treasured automobile.

The two wives were on the same wavelength during the first interview and a second meeting for dinner was planned with the entire Feldman family in attendance.

They evidently passed muster because a deal was struck with the caveat that the owner was to

make the long-dormant car road-worthy. In October 1998, the long-awaited telephone call came. The car was ready. The entire Feldman family drove to get the car. Rebecca Feldman settled into the leather driver's seat behind the two-spoke steering wheel of her dream car and motored home to Stafford, Va., cushioned by the 111-inch wheelbase.

Most of the rubber had deteriorated, so all of the hoses and belts had to be replaced, along with the 14-inch tires. Many of the gaskets also required replacement.

Feldman's husband carefully examined his wife's Mercedes-Benz and found that somewhere in the past all four fenders had kissed the frame of a garage door. Additionally, the flanks of the handsome car had all the usual nicks and dings usually found on cars that park in a public garage.

With all the damage corrected and the original paint wet-sanded by hand, the Mercedes-Benz was sprayed with a clearcoat finish. Both bumpers were readjusted and, once straightened, were polished to a like-new sheen.

The 275.8-cubic-inch V8 engine still delivers 160 horsepower to the

rear-drive wheels through a three-speed automatic transmission. Bringing the 3,750-pound car to a halt is a chore left to the four-wheel power disc brakes.

For such a heavy car, the handling is quite nimble with the steering wheel moving lock to lock in only three turns.

The original Becker radio, had been replaced with a Sony radio. In an effort to maintain originality, Feldman's husband found an original Becker radio, which now rests in the dashboard.

After the car was restored to like-new condition, the Feldmans drove it back to show the original owners that they had indeed found a good home for the car.

The odometer has just now rolled over 67,000 miles and Rebecca Feldman reports highway mileage on a recent trip at 20 mpg. The fuel tank has a capacity of 23.8 gallons.

She never tires of standing back just to admire the sculptured body panels of her car. "I like the simple lines of the car," she says. "This car is me," she concludes, but she had known that all along.

For your car to become the subject of the Classic Classics column, send a photo (frontal 3/4 view) plus brief details and phone number to Vern Parker, 2221 Abbottsford Drive, Vienna, VA 22181. Only photos of good quality will be considered.



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IN 1998, JACK FELDMAN was visiting a client in Maryland when he found the 1980 Mercedes-Benz 450 SLC — his wife's dream car.

## SPARE PARTS

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**Pumping Prius:** Toyota Motor Corp., the world's top seller of gasoline-electric cars, may turn its Prius into a lineup of vehicles as the company tries to triple annual U.S. sales of hybrids. Prius-based models might include a wagon and a smaller car. "We don't have any plans to do that right now, but that's the direction that nameplate can go, because it is that strong," said Jim Lentz, executive vice president of the company's U.S. sales unit.

Source: Bloomberg News.

**Buyer's market:** Ford and Chrysler are extending 5-year, zero-interest and low-rate loan offers on some 2006 models to clear out inventories and make way for 2007 models. Nearly 30 percent of vehicles sitting on Ford dealer lots are 2006 models, while older inventory accounts for 45 percent of the cars and trucks on Chrysler, Dodge and Jeep lots. GM's current discount program runs through Jan. 2.

Source: NADA.

**Fleeting fleet sales:** Ford Motor Co. says its sales to fleet customers will drop by double-digit percentages in 2007 now that production of the Ford Taurus has ended. "With the discontinuation of the Taurus, we might go until 2008 until we see another sales increase to our fleet customers," Ford sales analyst George Pipas said.

Source: Automotive News.



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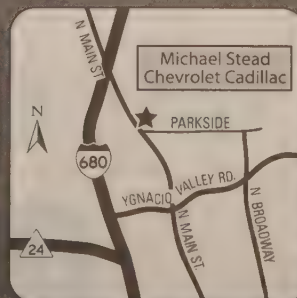
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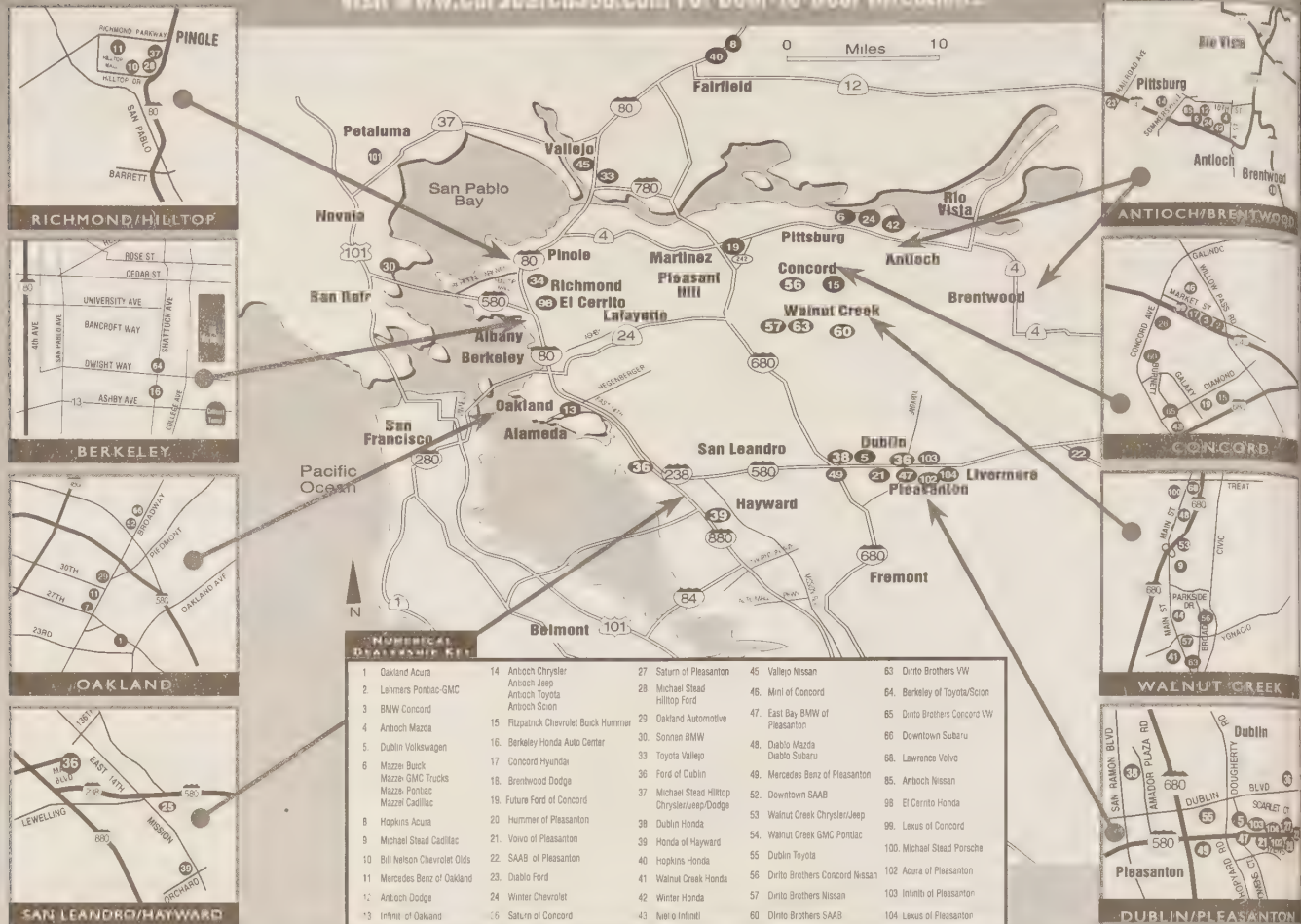




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## Shopping for holiday decor and gifts? Local firms are brimming with ideas

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While fall may be a season of change, it's also a new beginning for home decorators as they create holiday decor and arrangements for their home. With the holidays filling with social and family events, they know it's time to get their own selections of decorations. The goal: a warm and cozy setting for celebrations.

### Decor

Take a look at holiday suggestions and resources found locally can help with the seasonal decorations.

Rockridge Home's Jennifer Kaplan suggests that when people think of their fireplaces this season, light, reflection, energy, might say that's what a fire is all about, we say crank it up a notch.

Traditions, "Strategically placed candles in glass holders and tiny white lights will draw more attention to this focal point of your home."

Decorations can multiply the warmth of a fire when placed



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above the mantle, "and they add drama when placed on and around the hearth. Use candles and holders of varying shapes and sizes; glass will add to the sparkle. The more the merrier!"

Even without a fire in the fireplace, she suggests that putting a mirror in the back of the fireplace to reflect the light from the candles in front of it will add to the cheer in any room.

"Think about tastefully stringing some of those tiny white lights. You might not get the heat, but you you'll capture the light, reflection and energy. Nobody will wonder where the flames went."

Play on other senses, as well, Kaplan suggests, by adding scented fire starters to fireplaces, or lighting scented candles and using complementary room sprays in pine, cinnamon and other seasonal favorites. Rockridge Home has an extensive selection of such products, including soaps that tie scents even to the powder room.

Rockridge Home has another suggestion for those who don't have a fireplace but wish they did. Visit the store to see a collection of sleek, stainless steel, wall-mounted fireplaces by German manufacturer Blomus. They generate real flames

and solve the fireplace dilemma without taking up a lot of room.

Rockridge Home, 5418 College Ave., Oakland, 510-420-1928 or [www.rockridgehome.com](http://www.rockridgehome.com).

Poppy Fabrics is also in the holiday mode, and can help shoppers design and fulfill their decorating strategy. The Oakland store carries a wealth of fabrics that can be used for furniture upholstery or slipcovers, tablecloths and napkins, pillows and other uses around the home. Their talented staff can help customers select and combine fabrics for dramatic effect, both for a holiday arrangement or a project that will grace a home for years or seasons to come.

"Table settings are hot," says Patti Popovich, particularly with several fabrics and tassel trim or other decorative touches. "Our staff have ideas about what can be done with fabric and are very supportive of clients' plans and desires. Come in with an idea and we can elaborate, collaborate and inspire." They also have many idea books on hand for further encouragement. The store can provide custom sewing services for furniture, drapes and other projects.

Poppy Fabrics, 5151 Broadway, Oakland, in the Rockridge area,

510-655-5151.

Patu, an elegant bed and bath shop in the Piedmont area, opened last November with a selection of upscale linens and all the accessories. Owner Bijan Zahedi, who previously operated a carpet store in the same location, carefully created a store where customers can see and feel the quality products.

He manufactures his own line of 400-thread-count Egyptian cotton bed linens with custom hems, stitching and colors. Add to this a selection of cashmere throws, bathrobes, towels, bed spreads, duvets and shower curtains, and your boudoir might be transformed into an island of comfort.

Patu also features luxury European soaps and shea butter concoctions, plus bath accessories such as towel holders and soap dishes. "We're a great local source for international products, with very significant savings over many department stores," notes Zahedi.

Patu is at 1235 Grand Ave. in Piedmont, next to Ace Hardware, 510-658-0203.

Montclair Toyhouse has something for every child on your holiday list. Open for over 50 years, the store is currently owned by Bob and Barbara Roberts, who promise an incredible range of books for the very young to the more advanced reader, plus other educational items, crafts, plush animals, dolls, wooden toys and more.

Count on them for Lego, a big seller, and that famous train, Thomas, which has some new objects this year and continues to enchant young children. As for the books, browse their classics, plus popular Wizardology and Dragonology, for ages five and up. Bob Roberts also recommends the World of Fairies, which has great illustrations which draw in even younger children. Dinosaurs? Of course, there are books and other items for those budding paleontologists. You might even pick up a tricycle for a favorite youngster.

Montclair Toyhouse is open daily, 6115 La Salle, in Oakland, 510-339-9023.

Japan Woodworker is gift nirvana if you are looking for a gift for someone who is very passionate about food preparation or a chef, a fisherman, a gardener, a woodworker or other craftsman in need of sharp and precise tools. Known around the world as a source for excellent quality knives and other tools, yet tucked away in Alameda, Japan Woodworker doesn't always come to mind when thinking knives and cutlery, but it could be one of the best local spots for such upscale tools.

"We've had chefs fly in from the East Coast to choose from our hand-forged Japanese kitchen knives," says Bill Wrigley, who handles customer service for the store that has been in operation for over 30 years. These knives are made by master craftsmen in Japan who hand-forge them and create incredibly sharp knives. The store carries a wide assortment of quality cutlery for both professional and home chefs, including paring and fruit knives, vegetable knives and Santoku or general purpose knives.



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## Local

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Both a topnotch shop for wood workers and for chefs, Japan Woodworker has over 6,500 items in the store, according to Wrigley. They stock sharpeners, saws, drills and a host of other specialty products.

On Nov. 11, the store will hold a sale on some merchandise, and there will be demonstrations of several knives and pieces of equipment. Store is open Monday through Saturday, 1731 Clement Ave., Alameda, 510-521-1810 or [www.japanwoodworker.com](http://www.japanwoodworker.com).

Aptly named **Utopia** is just that, "for women who want cutting edge style and unusual clothing," according to Nancy Ekstrom, co-owner of the Moraga Avenue store with her daughter Melissa Munyer. Ekstrom began "my dream job" after 15 years in IT project management. "I started with local designers and now we have European lines and work with many small companies" who produce clothing, handbags, shoes and handmade jewelry.

"Our jewelry is amazing, done by local designers who create wonderful pieces with gems and stones, and we have fantastic leather handbags, many of them from Italy," she adds. Among sug-

gestions for holiday gifts, she notes framed wallets, which adeptly hold all the necessary items, and Wild Blue sleepwear. "We have a big selection of this line; it's soft, comfortable and quick dry." Sure to please is a microfiber robe that's as soft as it is warm. Other popular holiday items are the stylish pant tops from Italy now on display at the Montclair area store.

"We span the generations. We're more a mindset than an age. Our customers like to dress well and don't want to look like everyone," she adds.

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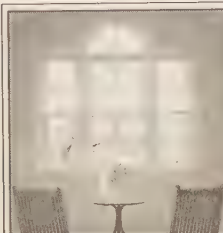
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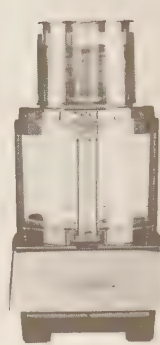
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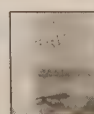
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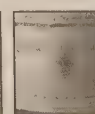
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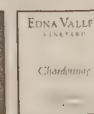
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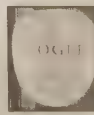
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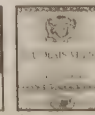
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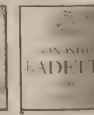
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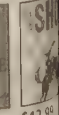
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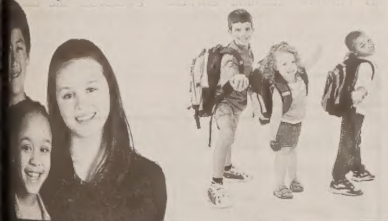
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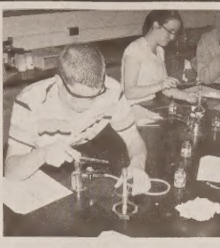
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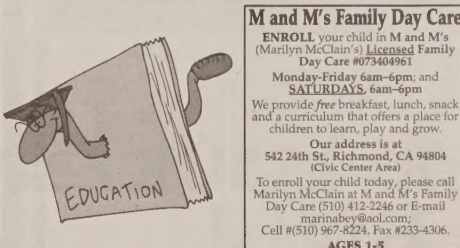
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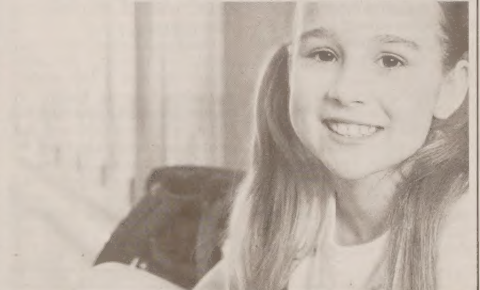
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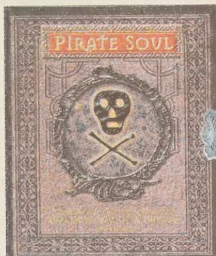
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## HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS

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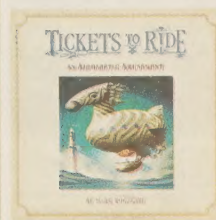
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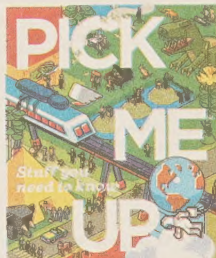


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taking to look at. Both children and adults alike will go back over these images again and again in search of the items hidden cleverly within them. At the end of the book, a detailed map of the park is also included for more fun.

■ **"Pick Me Up"** by Mark Rogalski. DK Publishing, 352 pages, hardcover, \$29.99, ages 10+, ISBN: 978-0-7566-2159-9.

With full-color spreads and edgy, vivid designs, this "un-cyclopedia" offers kids a reference guide that mirrors their world. This book is organized like a miscellany, inspired by the internet, styled like a video game, and informed by pop culture. It brims with engaging information about history, science, nature, geography and culture — everything kids want and need to know.



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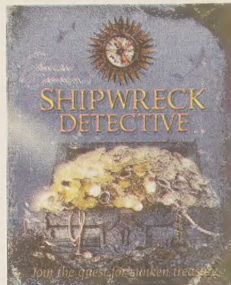
■ **"Star Wars: The Complete Visual Dictionary"** by David West Reynolds, James Luceno and Ryder Windham. DK Publishing, 272 pages, hardcover, \$40, ISBN: 978-0-7566-2238-1.

This guide brings together all four best-selling titles, from The Visual Dictionary series (Episode I-III and the Trilogy) in one volume. The text has been fully updated and revised to ensure continuity between all six episodes of the movie

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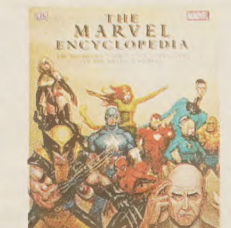
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